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Town Officers

Clerk

Charles C. Stearns

Treasurer

Frank W. Williams

Selectmen

Fred A. Holton, *Chairman*	Term Expires 1926
Charles A. Parker	Term Expires 1926
Frank H. Montague	Term Expires 1926

Accountant

Charles S. Warner

Tax Collector

Leon R. Alexander

School Committee

Roscoe H. Philbrick, *Chairman*	Term Expires 1926
Maude M. Montague	Term Expires 1927
Lester A. Polhemus	Term Expires 1928

Library Trustees

Joseph F. Bittinger	Term Expires 1926
S. Catherine Richardson	Term Expires 1926
Frank L. Duley	Term Expires 1927
Christiana C. Stockbridge	Term Expires 1927
Nellie M. Wood	Term Expires 1928
Norman P. Wood, *Chairman*	Term Expires 1928

Cemetery Commissioners

George N. Kidder	Term Expires 1926
Charles C. Morgan	Term Expires 1927
Clifford I. Holton	Term Expires 1928

Sealer of Weights and Measurers

Harry M. Bristol

Constables

Clarence J. Griggs Harry M. Haskell John J. Broderick

Forest Fire Warden

Thomas H. Parker

Deputy Fire Wardens

Frank Kendrick Herbert A. Reed George W. Piper
Murray M. Hammond Leon A. Randall Homer W. Nims

Chief of Fire Department

James W. Alger

Tree Warden

Arnold H. Holton

Public Weighers

George O. Dunnell Floyd M. Dunnell Theodore F. Darby
Lester A. Polhemus

Superintendent of Highways

Edward M. Morgan

Inspection Meat, Provisions and Slaughtering

Jones J. Fisher Daniel McD. Ross Albert W. Mead
C. S. Tenney

Fence Viewers

Charles S. Tenney Clifford I. Holton William H. Dale

Surveyors of Wood and Timber

Edgar E. Aldrich Ralph O. Leach Herbert A. Reed
Jones J. Fisher Homer W. Nims Lawrence S. Quinlan

Registrars of Voters

Walter R. Parker Clarence P. Buffum John T. Callaghan

Field Drivers

Albert L. Tyler Floyd M. Dunnell Ozro D. Adams

Pound Keeper

Lucky O. Clapp

TOWN WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Franklin, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Northfield, in the County of Franklin. *Greeting*:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the North Church Vestry in said Town, on February The First 10 o'clock in the A. M., then and there to act on the following articles:

ART. 1 To Choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2 To hear the reports of the several town officers and committees, or act thereon.

ART. 3 To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year, the following to be on one ballot: Town Clerk, Treasurer, three Selectmen for one year, and one Assessor for three years,one School Committee member for three years, two Library Trustees for three years, one Cemetery Commissioner for three years, Tree Warden for one year, Tax Collector for one year, and three Constables for one year.

ART. 4 To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer, with approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of taxes of the municipal year to an amount not exceeding the tax, and to issue a note or notes hereafter payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred under this note to be paid from the taxes of said municipal year, or act thereon.

ART. 5 To see if the Town will raise and appropriate $150 for Memorial Day exercises, the same to be paid to, and expended by G.A.R. Post 171, or act thereon.

ART. 6 To see if the town will elect a Memorial Committee of three patriotic citizens to carry on appropriate exercises on Memorial Day, said committee to serve as follows: one for one year, one for two years, one for three years, and thereafter one each year to serve for three years.

ART. 7 To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used by the Tree Warden in care and preservation of shade trees, or act thereon.

ART. 8 To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to employ a school physician in accordance with Chapter 502, Act of 1906, or act thereon.

ART. 9 To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of $1815. to pay the interest and bond of the Bennett's Meadow Bridge debt.

ART. 10 To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of $1225. to apply on High School and Memorial Hall debt, or act thereon.

ART. 11 To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for lighting the streets or act thereon.

ART. 12 To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for oiling or using some other material to lay the dust on the principle streets, or act thereon.

ART. 13 To raise and appropriate such sums of money as shall be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, or act thereon.

ART. 14 To determine the salary of the Tax Collector, or act thereon.

ART. 15 To see if the Town will empower Selectmen to defend the Town in any suit brought against the Town, or act thereon.

ART. 16 To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for care and preservation of cemeteries, or act thereon.

ART. 17 To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen to enter into contract with Board of Public Works Division of Highways, for repairs and improvements of the roads and highways, exclusive of State Highways and raise and appropriate the sum of $200. per mile for that purpose, or act thereon.

ART. 18 To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the Dickinson Memorial Library, or act thereon.

ART. 19 To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in the extermination of the Gypsy Moth, or act thereon.

ART. 20 To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to defray the expenses of a Community Nurse, or take any action thereon.

ART. 21 To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in putting up railings, or act thereon.

ART. 22 To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to lay out a road in accordance with a petition of Dunbar, and others, and estimate the cost of construction of same, or act thereon. Plan filed with Town Clerk.

ART. 23 To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of $2503.50 to pay the awards made by the Selectmen on the Farms State Road, or act thereon.

ART. 24 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to install four street lights, on the State Road, between the foot of Pachaug Hill and the top of Sand Hill, inclusive.

ART. 25 To see if the Town will appropriate $125.00 to be paid to the Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture in accordance with Provisions of and for the purposes of Chapter 128, sec 45 of the General Laws, or for the support of demonstration work under the direction of the agent or instructors of the Trustees on land owned by the town or any resident thereof, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

ART. 26 To see if the Town will choose a director in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 128, sec. 41 of the General Laws to serve one year or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

ART. 27 To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to remove the granite historical marker on Beers Plain from its present position to an appropriate position near the new State Road under direction of the road Superintendent.

ART. 28 To see if the Town will vote to relay that portion of the sidewalk that was torn up repairing Holton Street, and to raise a sum of money to be used for that purpose, or take any action thereon.

ART. 29 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to install one Street Light on School Street near the old Masonic Hall, or act thereon.

ART. 30 To see if the Town will authorize the School Board to relocate the Mountain School, raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of a site and the adaptation of an existing structure, or act thereon.

ART. 31 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to provide for repairing and painting the Center School House, or act thereon.

ART. 32 To see if the Town will raise and appropriate $500. for a reserve fund for the current year.

ART. 33 To see if the Town will vote to have the town fire hose couplings, and the hydrants connections, standardized and raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used for that purpose or take any action thereon.

ART. 34 To see if the Town will indemnify the commonwealth of Massachusetts against any and all claims for land, grade and drainage damages, which may be caused by, or result from the laying out, and construction of state highway in Northfield, and will authorize the Board of Selectmen to sign an indemnity agreement therefor in behalf of the town, or take any other action in respect thereto.

ART. 35 To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to repair Schell Bridge or take any action thereon.

ART. 36 To see if the Town will authorize the town accountant to charge off the sum of $24.34, the balance due the town in the W. J. Wright account.

ART. 37 To see if the Town will authorize the town accountant to close out the sum of $17.81 standing in the surplus Tailings account on the books of the town.

ART. 38 To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to compromise the suit involving a deposit of town funds amounting to $237.84 in the Franklin County Trust Co. or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

ART. 39 To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to lay out and construct a road from a point near Mr. Jewett's house to the New State Highway, and make any appropriation or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

ART. 40 To see if the Town will vote to discontinue any part of or all of the unused portion of the plain road between the land of Frank Streeter and the No. 3 schoolhouse, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

ART. 41 To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to provide power and other machinery used in connection with the stone crusher, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at the Post Offices in Northfield, East Northfield, Northfield Farms, West Northfield, and at the School House in District No. 6, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 19th day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.

FRED A. HOLTON
CHARLES A. PARKER
FRANK H. MONTAGUE

Selectmen.

Report of Selectmen

We respectfully submit for your consideration our report for the year ending December 31, 1925, also the reports of the several committees and departments.

This has been a year of some permanent improvements in the town. It is a relief to know that there is one bridge that is not liable to go down.

We have every reason to believe that the Farms State Road will be extended two miles this year.

We submit the following recommendations for appropriations for the ensuing year.

State Aid	$ 200
Library	550
Highways	7000
Tax Collector	500
Contingent	2500
Farms Ferry	225
Fire Department	500
Poor	3000
Town Office Rent and care	225
Town Clerk	250
Town Treasurer	550
Selectmen	550
Assessors	600
Town Accountant	500
School Committee	75
Schools	29000
Bridges	500
Railings	500
Snow Removal	1500
Nurse	1800
Alexander House	150
Alexander Hall	50
Sealer of Weights	150
Inspection	130
Interest	150
Insurance	475
Street Lights	2700

FRED A. HOLTON
CHARLES A. PARKER
FRANK H. MONTAGUE
Selectmen.

Report of Treasurer

Town of Northfield in Account with F. W. Williams

1925 To cash received from:

Jan.	1	Balance on hand	22915 92
	2	T. A. Gabb, 1 months rent	21 00
	3	Lyons & Carnahan refund	3 96
	3	State Treasury, acct Highways	375 00
	3	Int. G. W. Power, acct Library	75 00
	3	Int. S. Bell, acct Library	12 50
	3	Int. Con. Gas, acct Library	22 50
	3	Int. Top. Edison, acct Library	25 00
	5	Int. Interstate, acct Cemetery	11 67
	6	Town of Gill, Tuition 5 pupils, 16 weeks	150 00
	7	State Treasury, acct Temporary Aid	515 91
	7	Town of Gill, acct Nurse fees	20 00
	13	Sale of tin, Town Hall	1 00
	14	District Court fine, Edward Bigelow	50 00
	14	District Court fine, Richard Black	50 00
	15	District Court, 212, April 7-22 not presented for payment	17 81
	15	James Broderick, 1 months rent	13 00
	15	State Treasury, acct Highways	300 00
	15	County Treasury, dog fund	294 29
	22	Town of Warwick, acct B. M. Bridge	8 79
	26	Town of Montague, acct B. M. Bridge	17 58
	28	Int. on deposits	36 16
			24937 09
Feb.	2	Town of Greenfield, acct. B. M. B.	21 09
	3	T. A. Gabb, 1 months rent	21 00
	5	Town of Vernon, Tuition	86 32
	5	Marion Eckert, R. N. Fees	15 00
	6	L. R. Alexander, Collector, acct Int.	23 36
	6	L. R. Alexander, Collector, acct Taxes	2032 43
	7	Town of Gill, acct B. M. B.	26 37
	13	Town of Bernardston, acct. B. M. B.	14 06
	14	Homer Havercroft, refund	53 14
	16	James Broderick, 1 months rent	13 00

	16	A. O. Howard, Pistol License	1 00
	28	Int. on Deposits	36 85
			2343 62
March	2	T. A. Gabb, 1 months rent	21 00
	4	L. R. Alexander, Collector, Taxes	1403 61
	4	L. R. Alexander, Collector, Int	39 41
	7	Rent Union Hall	2 00
	10	State Treasury, School fund	5090 40
	16	James Broderick, 1 months rent	13 00
	23	E. B. Buffum, Gasolene License	1 00
	28	Int. on Deposits	31 89
	30	Hotel Northfield, Vault Door	50 00
			6652 31
April	1	Interstate No. 14752, acct Library	150 00
	1	Interstate No. 13074, acct Library	150 00
	2	T. A. Gabb, 1 months rent	21 00
	3	W. L. Goodnow Co., Peddlers License	7 00
	3	Leo Rec., Peddlers License	7 00
	4	Marion Eckert, R. N. fees	50 50
	4	John Callaghan, Victualers License	1 00
	6	L. R. Alexander, Collector, Taxes	1543 03
	6	L. R. Alexander, Collector, Int.	41 16
	9	Homer Havercroft refund	154 28
	15	State Treasury, acct Temporary Aid	616 66
	15	U. S. Treasury, acct West Northfield Cem.	27 62
	15	State Treasury, Corp Tax 1924	10
	15	Marion Eckert, R. N. fees	9 83
	15	James Broderick, 1 months rent	13 00
	18	Town of Northfield, 209 loads gravel	20 90
	21	C. V. R. R. refund acct fire	6 00
		Int. on Deposits	35 64
			2854 72
May	2	E. M. Morgan, Gasolene License	2 00
	2	C. E. Williams, Gasolene License	2 00
	2	C. A. Parker, Gasolene License	2 00
	2	C. S. Tenney, Gasolene License	2 00
	2	F. V. Wood, Gasolene License	2 00

2	F. W. Garfield, Victualers License	1	00
2	T. A. Gabb, 1 months rent	21	00
2	F. A. Irish, Oleomargarine License		50
2	Robbins & Evans, Oleomargarine License		50
4	L. R. Alexander, Collector, Taxes	1009	23
4	L. R. Alexander, Collector, Int.	31	52
8	World Book Co., refund	3	93
12	Refund Collector's Bond	4	00
16	H. C. Holton, Jr., Gas and Victualers License	3	00
16	James Broderick, 1 months rent	13	00
16	Mrs. F. W. Harness, Victualers License	1	00
16	Mrs. J. M. Whitmore, Victualers License	1	00
18	Andrew Weiger, fine	10	00
19	T. F. Darby, Pistol License	1	00
20	B. & M. R. R. refund, acct fires	13	50
21	Hotel Northfield, Gasolene License	2	00
21	Hotel Northfield, Innholders License	2	00
22	H. M. Bristol, Sealer	19	60
25	D. M. Meaney, Peddlers License	7	00
26	H. A. Lewis, Gasolene License	2	00
26	H. M. Yerrington, W. Northfield Cem. fund	100	00
28	Charles Karacas, Peddlers License	7	00
28	Lucy Kellogg, Innholders License	2	00
28	Int. on Deposits	29	66
		1295	44

June 1	T. A. Gabb, 1 months rent	21	00
3	State Treasury, Corp. Tax	30	91
5	L. R. Alexander, Collector, Taxes	35	62
5	L. R. Alexander, Collector, Int.	7	32
5	L. R. Alexander, Collector, Polls	526	00
5	Refund Int. Policy	8	10
6	R. O. Leach, Gasolene License	2	00
16	James Broderick, 1 months rent	13	00
19	Ark. P. & L. coupon, acct Library	11	00
20	Refund Ins. Policy	11	20
27	Refund Russell Baldwin Co. Int. acct Library	8	33
27	State Treasury, acct Highways	750	00
29	C. S. Warner, sale of lumber, acct Town Hall	4	00
29	A. S. French, acct Rural nurse	12	00
30	State Treasury, acct Inspection Animals	53	25
30	H. A. Lewis, Victualers License	1	00

	30	Northfield Seminary, Storage License	1	00
	30	S. E. Walker, Victulars License	1	00
	30	Refund Ins. Policy	12	15
	30	Int. on Deposits	22	90
			1531	78
July	1	T. A. Gabb, 1 months rent	21	00
	3	L. R. Alexander, Collector, Taxes and Polls	446	45
	3	L. R. Alexander, Collector, Int.	1	96
	3	L. R. Alexander, Collector, Demands		50
	7	Refund, acct Burial charge	83	66
	7	Town of Vernon, Tuition 4 pupils	163	14
	10	Town of Gill, Tuition 5 pupils	225	00
	16	James Broderick, 1 months rent	13	00
	17	R. O. Leach, rent Union Hall (9)	18	00
	18	Refund, acct Burial charge	1	65
	21	Spencer Brothers, Gasolene License	2	00
	21	A. J. Monat, Gasolene License	2	00
	21	A. J. Monat, Innholders License	2	00
	22	Greenfield Savings Bank, Int. Center Cem.	54	47
	22	Greenfield Savings Bank,Int Farms Cem	10	27
	22	Greenfield Savings Bank, Int Mt. Cem.	4	55
	22	Greenfield Savings Bank, Int. W.N. Cem.	16	38
	22	Greenfield Savings Bank, Int Schools	72	81
	22	Franklin Savings Inst., Int. Schools	45	50
	22	Franklin Savings Inst., Int Farms Cem.	18	20
	22	Franklin Savings Inst., Int. W. Nfld. Cem	79	61
	22	Franklin Savings Inst., Int. Mt. Hermon Cem.	4	15
	22	Franklin Savings Inst., Int. Center Cem.	192	19
	22	Franklin Savings Inst., Int. acct Library	1	66
	22	Crocker Savings Inst., Int. Farms Cem.	9	28
	22	G. W. Power, Int. acct Library	75	00
	22	Interstate, Int., No. 15055, acct Library	27	00
	22	Interstate, Int., No. 15050, acct Library	33	00
	22	Siera San, P. & L., acct Library	25	00
	23	State Treasury, acct Highways	1475	00
	24	State Income Tax, 1922-3-4	224	00
	24	State Refund loss of Taxes	92	13
	30	Int. on Deposits	15	50
			3456	06
Aug	3	T. A. Gabb, 1 months rent	21	00
	6	L. R. Alexander, Collector, Poll Taxes	126	00

	6	L. R. Alexander, Collector, Int.	40
	6	L. R. Alexander, Collector, demands	2 25
	11	Interstate No. 16204, acct Cemetery	58 34
	20	James Broderick, 1 months rent	13 00
	21	R. H. Parker, pistol license	1 00
	21	Alfred E. Holton, pistol license	1 00
	21	Refund Ins. Policy	8 83
	25	H. M. Bristol, Sealer	18 36
	25	F. P. Janes, pistol license	1 00
	25	District Court, Farmer fine	8 95
	26	G. N. Kidder, pistol license	1 00
	27	Int. on Deposits	14 47
			275 60
Sept.	1	Oklahoma Gas, acct Library	50 00
	1	T. A. Gabb, 1 months rent	21 00
	1	C. S. Warner, sale of Material, Town Hall	50
	3	L. R. Alexander, Collector, Poll Taxes	24 00
	3	L. R. Alexander, Collector, Demands	1 00
	5	Mrs. A. E. Holton, Victulars License	1 00
	10	J. W. Alger, pistol license	1 00
	10	State Treasury, Training Schools	284 05
	10	F. W. Doane, for Leon Barber fine	96 00
	12	B. & M. R. R. refund for flag man	27 00
	15	James Broderick, 1 months rent	13 00
	17	Roy Flanders, pistol license	1 00
	18	T. H. Parker, pistol license	1 00
	18	State Treasury, acct Highways	1075 00
	19	Homer Havercroft, refund	68 57
	22	Town of Winchester, Tuition	16 95
	29	Int. on Deposits	7 75
			1688 82
Oct.	1	State Treasury, acct Supt. Schools	676 66
	1	L. R. Alexander, Collector, 24 & 5 Taxes	1045 82
	1	L. R. Alexander, Collector, Polls	2 00
	1	L. R. Alexander, Collector, Int.	2 71
	3	R. C. Abbott, pistol license	1 00
	7	T. A. Gabb, 1 months rent	21 00
	7	First Nat.Bank note No.24 due Nov.28,'25	10000 00
	15	U. S. Treasury, Int., acct W. Nfld Cem.	27 63
	15	James Broderick, 1 months rent	13 00

	17	State Treasury, acct Highways	925 00
	17	Sale of Plan	2 00
	27	F. A. Irish, Exr., Severance Cem .fund	100 00
	27	Int. on Deposits	8 00
	29	H. M. Bristol, Sealer	26 84
	30	Harmony Lodge, T. H. Furnace	150 00
	31	C. V. R. R., refund, acct fire	12 50
	31	Refund, acct burial charge	12 44
			13026 60
Nov.	2	State Treasury, Temporary Aid	269 94
	2	L. R. Alexander, Collector, Taxes	49737 52
	4	G. M. McLaren, R. N. fees	32 40
	7	Town of Northfield, 5 loads gravel	50
	9	T. A. Gabb, 1 months rent	21 00
	12	Interstate No. 15050, Int., acct Library	33 00
	12	C. W. Mattern, pistol license	1 00
	14	State Treasury, acct Highways	525 00
	16	James Broderick, 1 months rent	13 00
	19	H. J. Glutney, Pool room license	2 00
	20	State Treasury, Corp. Tax, P. S.	772 41
	20	State Treasury, Corp. Tax, B.	571 77
	20	State Treasury, Income Tax 1925	4750 26
	20	State Treasury Nat bank, S-1-C-63	8 09
	20	State Treasury, Nat bank, S-10-C-63	77 84
	20	State Treasury, High School Tuition	829 76
	20	State Treasury, State Aid	288 00
	28	Int. on Deposits	49 94
			57983 43
Dec.	1	G. M. McLaren, R. N. fees	30 75
	3	T. A. Gabb, 1 months rent	21 00
	5	Town of Gill, acct ferry	89 80
	5	L. R. Alexander, Collector, Taxes	4619 05
	5	L. R. Alexander, Collector, Int.	13 99
	5	L. R. Alexander, Collector, polls	4 00
	5	Town of Northfield, 53 loads gravel	5 30
	8	County Treasury, bounty on Wild cat	10 00
	8	G. A. R. Association refund on appro.	7 60
	11	State Treasury, acct Highways	200 00
	12	Town of Northfield, 20 loads gravel	2 00
	15	James Broderick, 1 months rent	13 00

16	Interstate Int. 16204, acct Center Cem.	50 00
16	Interstate Int. 15326B, acct Center Cem	60 00
16	Interstae Int. 15055, acct Library	27 00
16	Interstate Int. 15326A, acct Schools	60 00
16	State Treasury, Income Tax '25	792 00
16	State Treasury, Corp. Tax '25	77
16	State Treasury, Corp. B '25	76 99
19	J. E. Quinlan, H. S. lot grass	15 00
21	District Court fine, J. A. McDonald	13 60
23	S. Miller, State license	6 00
29	Int. on Deposits	64 51
29	G. M. McLaren, R. N. fees	24 20
31	Phineas Wright, sale of land	350 00
31	L. R. Alexander, Collector, Taxes	6981 92
31	L. R. Alexander, Collector, Int.	81 56
31	L. R. Alexander, Collector, Polls	12 00
31	L. R. Alexander, Collector, fees	3 50
31	G. N. Kidder, Sale of Cemetery lots 1925	207 00
31	State Treasury, acct Temporary Aid	465 62
31	G. N. Kidder, Pasture rent	5 00
31	State Treasury, acct Highways	450 00
31	Interstate Int, Exc. of Mort. acct Cem.	7 67
		14770 83
	Total	130816 30
1925	By cash paid out on Treasury Warrants, Nos. 1 to 93 inclusive	98172 97
	Balance December 31, 1925	32643 33

Respectfully submitted,

F. W. WILLIAMS, *Treasurer.*

TREASURER'S REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS

Cemetery Funds, Greenfield Savings Bank

27141	Elvira A. Morgan	50 00	
12719	James Pickard	100 00	
12806	Sarah Minot	150 00	
15962	Levi Fay	150 00	
19838	Samuel Holton	200 00	
20865	John L. Mattoon	100 00	
23751	Lois Stratton	100 00	
25927	Alvin Long	50 00	
26145	Charles Blackmer	50 00	
26167	Marcellus Stratton	100 00	
26473	Eliza Groves	51 69	
26659	M. Bemis and Otis Field	50 00	
26614	Maria Foss	25 00	
27012	Mary L. Wright	125 00	
27013	Alice J. Bigelow	100 00	
27014	Johnson	123 06	1524 75

Cemetery Funds, Franklin Savings Institution

14540	E. and E. Stratton	100 00	
16813	A. and A. Sawyer	100 00	
17136	William H. Stratton	100 00	
17631	Adeline W. Moody	100 00	
18761	Charles Alexander	200 00	
26642	A. M. D. Alexander	300 00	
28960	James White	100 00	
29987	M. A. and E. Belcher	1000 00	
31621	Miss Gaeng	100 00	
36793	Elijah Belding	125 00	
36794	Elijah E. Belding	100 00	
36875	Lucy M. Webster	500 00	
41709	Augusta L. Day	100 00	
47203	Merriman and Hilliard	300 00	
47503	Rose A. Holton	100 00	
49042	Sherman N. Bartlett	100 00	
49043	Lois F. Bartlett	100 00	
49278	Charles Osgood	300 00	
50084	Benjamin F. Field	100 00	
51197	Edward B. Stearns	50 00	
51525	Andrew E. and Arthur H.Lyman	400 00	

52174	James and William Meriam	100 00	
52248	J. Wesley Mann	100 00	
52919	Lewis Fowler	50 00	
53228	Henry W. Montague	200 00	
53618	Horace F. Holton	100 00	
55195	Bessie Severance	100 00	5025 00

Crocker Savings Institution

15806	Gage and Clows		100 00

West Northfield Cemetery Fund

	Edward D. Priest and others		
45345	Franklin Savings Institution	1350 00	
26395	Greenfield Savings Bank	360 00	
	United States Bond, Three	300 00	
	United States Bond	1000 00	
51688	G. W. Snow	200 00	
54696	H. M. Yerrington	100 00	3310 00

Centre Cemetery

16304	Interstante Mortg. 6 p.c. Cowles	1000 00	
	Certificateof deposit 6pc Cowles	1000 00	
16334	Interstate 6 perçent Belcher	1000 00	3000

In account with Schools

1894	Greenfield Savings Bank (Surplus Rev.)	1600 00	
10305	Interstate (Belcher) 6 percent	1000 00	
29986	Franklin Savings Inst(Belcher)	1000 00	3600 00

Belcher fund in account with Library

15055	Interstate Mortg. 6 percent	900 00
14752	Interstate Mortg. 6 percent	2500 00
15050	Interstate Mortg. 6 percent	1100 00
13074	Interstate Mortg. 6 percent	2500 00
11661	Great Western Power Co. 5 p.c.	1000 00
13349	Great Western Power Co. 5 p.c.	1000 00
13350	Great Western Power Co. 5 p.c.	1000 00

2494	Joplin & Pitts Railway Co.	1000 00	
32450	Franklin Savings Inst.	37 00	
M3310	Oklahoma Gas & Elec.Co. 5 p.c.	1000 00	
M3311	Oklahoma Gas & Elec.Co. 5p.c.	1000 00	
1710	Sierra & San Francisco Power Co. 5 p.c.	1000 00	14037 00
	Total amount of trust funds		30596 75

F. W. WILLIAMS, *Town Treasurer.*

Report of Town Accountant

In compliance with the provisions of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, I submit the following report of the Accountant's Department for the year 1925—including details of expenditures from appropriations and trust funds, statement of town debt and the financial balance sheet Dec. 31, 1925.

ANALYSIS OF TREASURY RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1925.

Taxes

From the Levy of 1924	6228 65	
From the Levy of 1925	62306 03	
From Poll Levy of 1925	1014 00	
From the State		
Corporation Tax	1452 95	
National Bank Tax	85 93	
Income Tax	5766 26	
Reimbursement loss of Taxes	92 13	76945 95

Licenses and Permits

Pistol Licenses	11 00	
Gasoline Licenses	23 00	
Peplers Licenses	34 00	
Innholders Licenses	6 00	
Victulars Licenses	8 00	
Oleomargarine Licenses	1 00	
Storage Licenses	1 00	
Pool Room Licenses	2 00	86 00

Fines

District Court Fines	228 55	228 55

Grants and Gifts		
From the State		
Schools from Income Tax	5090 40	
School Superintendent	676 66	
High School Tuition	829 76	
Training School	284 05	
Inspection Animals	53 25	
From County		
Dog Licenses	294 29	
Wild Cat Bounty	10 00	7238 41
Protection of Persons and Property		
Refund on Forrest and Grass Fires	32 00	
Sealer's Fees	64 80	96 80
Health and Sanitation		
Community Nurse fees collected	194 68	194 68
Highways		
From State		
Account 1924	675 00	
Account 1925	5400 00	
From town gravel pits	28 70	6103 70
Charities		
From State		
Temporary Aid	1868 13	
Reimbursement by individuals	373 74	2241 87
Soldiers' Benefits		
State Aid	288 00	288 00
Schools		
From other towns, tuition	641 41	
Rent of property	35 00	676 41
Unclassified		
Rent of town property	408 00	
Sale of land to P. T. Wright	350 00	
Sale of Material	207 50	
From tax collector's fees	7 25	
From unused check	17 81	990 56

Cemeteries		
Sale of lots	207 00	
Rent of land	5 00	212 00
Interest		
on deferred taxes	243 39	
on deposits National Bank	353 27	
on School trust funds	178 31	
on Cemetery trust funds	632 03	
on Library trust funds	725 99	2132 99
Debt		
Received from Temporary Loan	10000 00	10000 00
Trust Funds		
Cemetery Bequests	200 00	200 00
Refunds		
Memorial Day	7 60	
Town of Gill, Ferry account	89 80	
on Tax collector's bond	4 00	
Repairs Bennett's Meadow Bridge from other town's account 1924	87 89	
Return premiums on insurance	40 28	
on merchandise	7 89	
B. & M. R. R. refund for labor charge	27 00	264 46
		107900 38
Cash Balance January 1, 1925.		22915 92
Treasurer's total receipts year 1925		130816 30

EXPENDITURES

HIGHWAYS

Cooperating with the Department of Public Works under provisions of Chapter 81, Section 26 of the General Laws.

Appropriation in Town meeting	10800 00
Transferred from Reserve Fund	164 38
Total appropriation	10964 38

Expenditures

E. M. Morgan, Superintendent		973 14
Horse Teams		
L. S. Quinlan	748 62	
J. E. Quinlan	482 22	
James Crelan	177 73	
A. W. Mead	31 89	
R. E. Shearer	53 28	
M. C. Slaight	117 89	
Philip Mann	12 40	
Northfield Seminary	68 90	
P. Larinski	199 51	
Mary Quinlan	57 56	
J. Dresser	176 95	
L. O. Clapp	427 66	
F. W. Williams	7 00	
C. I. Holton	17 12	
C. A. Parker	168 50	
G. Miller	1 56	
O. S. Fisher	42 00	2790 79
Auto Trucks		
E. M. Morgan	759 33	
Frank Anderson	560 68	
C. A. Parker	205 00	
Spencer Brothers Tractor	109 46	1634 47
Labor		
F. A. Bigelow	458 80	
C. O'Clair	468 60	
W. Burrows	80	
J. O'Clair	265 20	
F. Garfield	25 20	
E. Bigelow	75 80	
H. Bigelow	26 80	

W. Kerylow	74 40	
M. C. Slaight	6 00	
F. J. Brassor	214 00	
A. Litwinski	200 60	
W. Ross	215 20	
J. Ross	18 80	
Ray Brassor	63 20	
I. Kockmanski	41 60	
M. E. Vorce	7 20	
J. Dale	501 60	
J. Litizinski	11 60	
Northfield Seminary	69 00	
C. Starkey	31 80	
C. I. Holton	8 80	
C. A. Parker	21 60	
H. Browing	7 20	
H. Black	160 00	
Frank Anderson	27 60	
L. Miller	80	
L. W. Pratt	1 20	
R. E. Shearer	18 00	
L. Starkey	48 80	
C. H. Stimpson	38 60	
F. Blanchard	22 00	
Philip Mann	54 80	
J. Starkey	3 60	
J. Koczymann	81 20	
H. W. Reed	36 40	
B. H. Woodbury	2 00	
E. Cosgrove	16 80	
J. Dresser	30 60	
Ernest Parker	3 40	
P. Schryba	18 00	
M. Miller	1 80	
C. C. Morgan	1 20	
W. Lyman	5 60	
E. Fisher	16 20	3404 20

Construction Materials, Tools, Repairs and Supplies

C. A. Ware, Gravel	11 60	
Town of Northfield, Gravel	28 70	
F. A. Adams, Gravel	34 70	
Mahlon Weeks, Gravel	45 60	
D. Jewett, Gravel	12 10	

W. Burrows, Gravel	42	40	
B. H. Woodbury, Gravel	7	60	
L. M. Davis, Gravel	42	00	
Jones Fisher, Gravel	6	30	
Philip Mann, Gravel	5	30	
R. E. Shearer, Gravel	2	90	
E. C. Field, Gravel	3	40	
Northfield Seminary, Gravel	2	70	
C. A. Parker, Gravel	4	00	
Standard Oil Co., street oil	325	89	
American Tar Co., Tarite	251	45	
S. Allen's Sons, Tools and repair parts	5	44	
F.I.Webster Co., Tools, dynamite and repairs	65	80	
N. E. Metal Culvert Co., Metal Culverts	208	74	
J. M. Anderson, Repairs	45	75	
Morgan Garage, Gasoline	48	80	
Wing & Evans Calcium Chloride	565	79	
N. E. Road M Co., repairs	9	80	
E. H. Starkey, Supplies		50	
F. W. Williams Lumber Co., Lumber	120	37	
Fred Shantly, Lumber	3	20	
Evans Brothers, Lumber	4	12	
James Dresser, Repairs	3	00	
E. M. Morgan, freight charges charges and expenses	36	44	
H. V. Martineau, repairs	4	85	
C. A. Parker, repairs	11	00	
C. A. Parker, Gasolene	2	20	
Acme Road M. Co., repairs	3	96	
A. H. Ash, Gravel Spreader	45	00	
Boston & Maine, Freight on Calcium Chloride	113	58	
F. W. Williams, Lumber	36	80	2161 78
Total Expenditures			10,964 38

Received from the State 5,400 00

Expenditures on Roads in Northfield
Chapter 81, 1925

1	Warwick Avenue	140 47
2	Warwick Road	227 66
3	Commonwealth Avenue	12 00
4	Erving or Gulf Road	749 71
5	Murdock Hill	46 91
6	Swamp Road	39 00
7	Orange Road	107 22
8	Mt. Hermon Station Road	2560 03
9	East Northfield Branch Road	120 40
10	East Northfield Road	875 84
11	Pine Road	39 40
12	Winchester Road	88 07
13	Pearson Road	48 45
14	Wanamaker Road	65 85
15	Ashuelot Road	95 46
16	Moody Street	69 31
17	Burnham Road	88 30
18	Holton Road	244 55
19	Highland Avenue	101 70
20	Caldwell Road	33 21
21	River Road	21 50
22	Randall Road	43 40
23	Vernon Road	40 70
24	Parker Street	201 24
25	Great Meadow Road	00 00
26	Meadow Street	3 00
27	Bridge Street	4 00
28	Mill Street	3 00
29	School Street	56 77
30	St. Mary's Street	14 27
31	Alexander Hill	63 05
32	Pratt Hollow Road	00 00
33	Maple Street	226 05
34	Beers Road	424 56
35	New Road	11 90
36	Old Wendell Road	116 23
37	Lyman Road	4 00
38	Lucky Clapp Road	37 50
39	South Mountain Road	635 56
40	Fisher Road	195 80
41	Four Mile Brook Road	61 60
42	Gill Road	17 00

43	Pine Meadow Road	388 10	
44	Branch Roads Nos. 1-2-3	89 83	
45	Old Millers Falls Road	00 00	
46	Cross Road	00 00	
47	East Street	69 33	
48	Northfield Farms Road	1597 69	
49	Sturbridge Road	00 00	
50	Dickinson Street	00 00	
51	Bennett Brook Road	20 56	
52	Glenwood Avenue	7 20	
53	Munns Ferry Road	29 85	
54	Myrtle Road	3 57	
55	North Lane Road	8 00	
56	Aldrich Street	00 00	
57	Howard Road	5 00	
58	Prospect Hill	00 00	
59	Slate Road	12 60	
60	Short Roads	00 00	
General Work		295 76	
Machinery and Tools		302 23	
Culverts		199 90	
Total Expended			10964 38

Allotments :

State	5400 00
Town	5564 38
	10964 38

POOR

Appropriation			$3,000 00
Expenditures			
Cash paid to Sundry Persons	832 47		
Northampton State Sanitarium	275 99		
Robbins & Evans, Groceries	302 29		
G. O. Dunnell, Fuel	161 30		
H. E. Sheldon, Fuel	59 00		
Evans Brothers, Fuel	9 50		
W. B. Dresser, Fuel	6 00		
L. S. Quinlan, Fuel	12 00		
Leach Brothers, Fuel	5 50		
G. N. Kidder, Fuel	15 00		
C. A. Parker, Fuel	24 00		
John Black, Fuel	14 00		
Mrs. Margaret Callahan, Rent of House	120 00		
Mrs. Sarah Harness, for board	418 30		
Mrs. Lulu Carey, for board	114 28		
City of Northampton, Cash advanced	70 00		
A. L. Newton, Medical care	6 00		
R. E. Hubbard, Medical Care	2 50		
A. George, Medicine	2 15		
F. A. Irish, Groceries	26 24		
Mrs. R. E. Long, for board	8 00		
Mrs. W. F. Callender, Rent of House	240 00	2724 52	
Unexpended balance		275 48	3000 00
Reimbursed by the State	1352 22		
Reimbursed by individuals	275 99		
Total reimbursed	1628 21		

CONTINGENT

Appropriation		3000 00

Expenditures

Elections

B. C. Abbott, officer at polls	4 00	
H. W. Russell, officer at polls	4 00	
C. J. Griggs, officer at polls	6 40	
J. W. Field, officer at polls	10 40	
R. D. Ware, officer at polls	4 00	
H. M. Haskell, officer at polls	2 40	
C. E. Leach, officer at polls	8 00	
F. H. Montague, registrar	3 00	
W. R. Parker, registrar	3 00	
L. A. Polhemus, registrar	3 00	
J. T. Callaghan, registrar	3 00	
H. M. Haskell, registrar	3 00	
C. P. Buffum, registrar	3 00	
H. M. Haskell, posting warrants	24 00	
C. J. Griggs, posting warrants	16 00	
Northfield Press, printing voters list	20 80	
Northfield Press,printing ballots	13 50	131 50

Constables and Police

John Broderick	55 87	
H. M. Haskell	67 70	
Ernest Howard	3 00	
C. E. Baxter	3 50	
Sidney Tyler	3 00	
M. M. Carroll, Sheriffs fees	50 65	
A. M. Haskins, Sheriffs fees	24 32	
C. J. Griggs	8 30	216 34

Inspection Meat and Provisions

D. McD. Ross	4 50	
J. J. Fisher	33 00	
E. C. Field	2 00	
A. W. Mead	95 50	135 00

Forest Fire Warden

Thomas H. Parker, salary	25 00	25 00

Legal Services

Stoddard, Ball and Bartlett	163 85	163 85

Selectmen's Expenses

C. A. Parker	32 57	
F. A. Holton	13 09	
F. H. Montague	7 87	53 53

Taking Census

F. H. Montague	15 00	
Helen P. Stearns	13 50	
C. H. Holton	9 50	38 00

Printing and Legal Blanks

Northfield Press, Town Report	216 00	
Northfield Press, Valuation lists	485 00	
Northfield Press, Envelopes	7 00	
Northfield Press Quarantine card	3 50	
Moody Bookstore, Book	2 25	
Hobbs & Warren, Legal blanks	14 25	
Ward Stationary Co.	5 84	
State Department Treasury warrant	5 37	
H. M. Stacy, Book	5 00	744 21

Grass and Forest Fires

Sundry Persons, labor and autos	52 00	52 00

Official Bonds

S. E. Walker, Treasurer's bond	60 00	
J. R. Colton, Collector's bond	50 00	110 00

Highway Signs			
Niles Machine Co.	29 25		
Leach Man'f'g Co.	27 10		
C. A. Parker, Stock for signs	16 08	72 43	
Miscellaneous Expenditures			
E.A. Newcomb & Son Handcuffs	5 70		
F. I. Webster, Lanterns	8 50		
State Dept, Certifying note	2 00		
N. E. Tel. and Tel. Co., Phones	1 80		
A. H. Holton, removing trees	8 00		
Charles Holton	5 40		
Northfield Water Co., Fountain supply	75 00		
N. P. Wood, Service to Board of Health	8 00		
Warren Abbott, Killing wild cat	10 00		
C. S. Warner, accountant's expenses	2 07		
C. A. Parker, repairs sidewalk	24 30		
Leavis &Bolton,repairs sidewalk	10 00		
F. I. Webster,Cement for sidewalk	13 41		
E.M.Morgan, repairs sidewalk	14 67		
F. A. Bigelow, repairs sidewalk	4 40		
J. Dale, repairs sidewalk	4 00		
C. O'Clair, repairs sidewalk	2 00		
Wm. Ross, repairs sidewalk	40		
F. W. Williams, recording deed	1 37		
C. L. Johnson, repairs fountain	14 26		
H. M. Bristol, repairs fountain	1 50		
Post office, stamps	7 53		
A.H.Mattoon,stamps and Stationery	22 67		
C.A.Parker, repairs hydrant	13 60		
C. L. Johnson, repairs hydrant	11 00		
Morgan Garage,repairs hydrant	3 30		
C. E. Williams, paint	3 65		
S. Allen's Sons, wire for Town Clock	2 40		
G.N.Kidder, for recording deaths	5 75		
C. C. Stearns, Recording Births, Marriages, Deaths	65 25	351 93	
		2093 79	
Unexpended Balance		906 21	3000 00

BENNETT'S MEADOW BRIDGE REPAIRS

Appropriation, Town Meeting		14500 00
Appropriation from E and D Surplus Cash		12500 00
Appropriation from Reserve Fund Overlay Surplus		4500 00
Total Appropriation		31500 00

Expenditures

E. M. Morgan, Superintendent	43 17		
F. A. Bigelow, labor	32 20		
C. O'Clair "	2 80		
J. O'Clair "	8 80	86 97	
J. Dale "	12 20		
E. Lavelle "	5 20		
J. Ross "	7 20		
W. Ross "	2 00		
L. Quinlan "	1 56	28 16	
R. H. Parker "	3 60		
H. Bigelow "	7 60		
E. Bigelow "	6 40		
C. A. Parker "	2 00		
F. J. Brassor "	21 60	41 20	
H. Black "	3 60		
Ray Brassor "	4 40		
W. Krylow "	4 00		
J. Koczyna "	4 40		
F. Anderson "	1 60	18 00	
Frank and Ray Brassor Watching service	497 20		
F. W. Williams, Lumber	177 00		
Leach Man'f'g Co., Signs	4 00		
Town of Bernardston, Timber	24 00		
Northfield Press, Printing cards	4 00	706 20	
Boston Globe, Advertising bids	8 40		
Springfield Republican " "	2 20		
Gazette and Courier " "	2 00		
C. A. Parker, Timber	6 24		
S. Allen's Sons, Spikes	20 15	38 99	
E. M. Morgan, Auto truck	19 66		
Phone charges	1 05		
Williams Brothers & Co., Planks	17 20		
C. E. Williams, Oil	3 06		
Williams & Rose, Lumber	148 32		
Williams & Rose, Lumber	148 32	189 29	

F. Deane Avery, Engineer on acct.		700 00		
Skinner, Sherman and Eseslin, Inspection material		222 36		
Standard Engineering & Construction Co., on Contract		7900 00		
Stoddard, Ball & Bartlett, Legal Services		40 00		
			9971 17	
Unexpended Balance			21528 83	
			31500 00	31500 00

SNOW REMOVAL

Appropriation			1500 00
	Expenditures		
Philip Mann	on roads	45 20	
Fred Shantly	" "	77 20	
Harold Clough	" "	4 00	
M. M. Hammond	" "	13 60	
C. H. Stimpson	" "	12 40	
L. H. Starkey	" "	8 80	
F. Garfield	" "	8 20	
Irving Perry	" "	2 40	
M. Miller	" "	2 40	
F. J. Brassor	" "	5 00	
L. S. Quinlan, ploughing paths		28 50	
Northfield Sem.ploughing paths		22 00	
Ray Dresser, ploughing paths		3 50	
L. S. Quinlan	on roads	2 00	
James Dresser	" "	46 96	
M. C. Slaight	" "	13 22	
Charles F. Field	" "	16 80	
A. Buduanriz	" "	11 80	
Richard Clough	" "	11 60	
Leon A. Randall	" "	22 00	
L. W. Pratt	" "	5 40	
John McNamara	" "	80	
C. I. Holton	" "	11 95	
C. S. Tenney	" "	38 00	
D. McD. Ross	" "	7 64	
A. W. Mead	" "	14 82	
Gilbert Lyman	" "	1 20	
J. Szestowski	" "	8 00	

Northfield Seminary " "	19 00		
C. A. Parker, Auto truck, teams and men	241 73		
Good Roads Machinery Co. Snow fence	513 00	1159 12	
Unexpended balance		340 88	
		1500 00	1500 00

HOLTON STREET APPROACH

Appropriation 500 00

Expenditures

E. M. Morgan, Superintendent	48 62		
F. A Bigelow, labor	54 80		
C. O'Clair, labor	53 00		
J. Dale, labor	42 00		
F. J. Brassor, labor	44 20		
Ray Brassor, labor	12 80		
H. Black, labor	42 00		
A. Letwinski, labor	23 60		
J. O'Clair, labor	16 40		
W. Ross, labor	10 20		
F. Anderson, labor	3 60		
W. Kroylow, labor	16 40		
J. Crelan, labor	12 83		
L. S. Quinlan, labor	24 89		
L. O. Clapp, labor	17 12		
F. Anderson, Auto truck	43 34		
F. W. Williams, Lumber	9 50		
S. Allen's Sons, supplies	1 75		
Northfield Seminary, Pipe	2 80		
	499 63		
Unexpended balance	37	500 00	500 00

RAILINGS FOR HIGHWAYS

Appropriation			300 00
Expenditures			
E. M. Morgan, labor	25 67		
E. M. Morgan, auto truck	24 00		
E. M. Morgan, Freight paid	50		
F. A. Bigelow, labor	28 80		
J. Dale, labor	28 80		
C. O'Clair, labor	20 00		
J. O'Clair, labor	10 80		
W. Ross, labor	5 60		
M. E. Vorce, labor	5 60		
E. Bigelow, labor	10 80		
Mrs. C. R. Nelson, Posts	23 40		
F. A. Bigelow, Timber	32 00		
H. E. Sheldon, Rails and posts	13 20		
S. Allen's Sons, Wire fence	12 20		
S. Allen's Sons, Spikes	4 10	245 47	
Unexpended balance		54 43	
		300 00	300 00

BRIDGE REPAIRS

Appropriation			500 00
Expenditures			
E. M. Morgan, Superintendent	48 40		
F. A. Bigelow, labor	25 00		
C. O'Clair, labor	12 00		
L. C. Dresser, labor	3 38		
C. A. Parker, labor	1 60		
E. Bigelow, labor	1 60		
J. Dale, labor	18 40		
J. Koczzann, labor	4 00		
H. Bigelow, labor	2 80		
Frank Anderson, labor	7 20		
W. Ross, labor	3 60		
M. E. Vorce, labor	1 60		
E. M. Morgan, auto truck	35 55		
L. S. Quinlan, team	3 89		
F. W. Williams, lumber	12 50		
Leach Man'f'g Co., Signs	23 00		

Ross and Williams, lumber	168 75		
C. E. Williams, spikes	4 40		
S. Allen's Sons, spikes	12 30		
W. B. Dresser, lumber	2 32	392 29	
Unexpended balance		107 71	
		500 00	500 00

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation			500 00
Expenditures			
Greenfield Light Co., Lighting	6 00		
F. A. Irish, Supplies	13 74		
Spencer Brothers, Batteries	31 75		
Spencer Brothers, Gas	2 88		
Morgan Garage,repairs to truck	75 78		
G. N. Kidder, Storage of truck	48 00		
Sundry persons, Members payroll	277 50		
G. N. Kidder, Supplies	44 35		
	500 00		500 06

SELECTMEN

Appropriation			600 00
Expenditures			
F. W. Kellogg, Salary	15 00		
C. A. Parker, Salary	175 00		
F. A. Holton, Salary	175 00		
F. H. Montague, Salary	150 00	515 00	
Unexpended balance		85 00	
		600 00	600 00

CLERK

Appropriation, Salary			200 00
Appropriation, For expenses			50 00
			250 00
Expenditures			
C. C. Stearns, Salary	200 00		
C. C. Stearns, Expenses	39 60	239 60	
Unexpended balance		10 40	
		250 00	250 00

TREASURER

Appropriation, Salary			500 00
Appropriation, For expenses			50 00
			550 00
Expenditures			
F. W. Williams, Salary	500 00		
Expenses	31 27	531 27	
Unexpended balance		18 73	
		550 00	550 00

ASSESSORS

Appropriation, Salaries			600 00
Expenditures			
A. H. Mattoon, Salary	325 00		
C. E. Leach, Salary	175 00		
J. R. Colton, Salary	100 00	600 00	600 00

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Appropriation, Salaries			75 00
Maude M. Montague	25 00		
L. A. Polhemus	25 00		
R. H. Philbrick	25 00	75 00	75 00

ACCOUNTANT

Appropriation, Salary			500 00
Expenditures			
C. S. Warner **Salary**	500 00		500 00

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Appropriation, Salary			100 00
N. P. Wood, M. D., Salary	100 00		100 00

SEALER WEIGHTS AND MEASURERS

Appropriation, Salary			100 00
Expenses			50 00
Expenditures			
H. M. Bristol, Salary	100 00		
H. M. Bristol, Auto and supplies	9 00		
L. E. Gurley, Supplies	27 50	136 50	
Unexpended balance		13 50	
		150 00	150 00

AUTOMOBILE FOR NURSE

Appropriation			500 00
Expenditures			
Spencer Brothers	500 00		500 00

TOWN OFFICE

Appropriation			225 00
Expenditures			
Greenfield Light Co., Lighting	6 00		
C. A. Parker, Fuel	9 00		
Phone Charges	10		
C. E. Williams, Supplies	15		
C. E. Williams, Rent	180 00	195 25	
Unexpended balance		29 75	
		225 00	225 00

COLLECTOR OF TAXES

Appropriation			499 00
L. R. Alexander, Acct. 1924	75 00		
L. R. Alexander, Acct. 1925	424 00	499 00	499 00

AID TO AGRICULTURE

Appropriation			125 00
Expenditures			
Franklin Co. Extension Service	125 00		125 00

WEST NORTHFIELD SCHOOL REPAIRS

Appropriation			500 00
Expenditures			
F. E. Aldrich, Repairs	39 66		
Northfield Seminary, Coppre	5 04		
L. H. Lazelle, Painting	430 00	474 70	
Unexpended balance		25 30	
		500 00	500 00

STONE CRUSHER

Appropriation			3000 00
Expenditures			
Acme Road Meachine Co., Crusher	2600 20		
B. & M. R. R., Freight charges	79 80	2680 00	
Unexpended balance		320 00	
		3000 00	3000 00

A. M. D. ALEXANDER HALL

Appropriation			400 00
Expenditures			
Max Huber, Lettering door	8 50		
Leavis & Bolton, Repairs	15 20		
H. M. Bristol, Repairs	7 33		
Brattleboro China Store, Supplies	4 50		
C. E. Williams, Supplies	2 65		
F. W. Keuch & Co., Supplies	2 34		

G. N. Kidder, Supplies	75		
Mrs. George Pefferlee, Supplies	4 80		
C. E. Baxter, Labor	16 00		
Max Huber, Painting and refinishing			
	230 00	292 07	
Unexpended balance		107 93	
		400 00	400 00

A. M. D. ALEXANDER HOUSE UPKEEP

Appropriation			100 00
Expenditures			
H. M. Bristol, Repairs	12 10		
Water Co., Water	16 81		
W. H. Stebbins, Repairs	70 00	98 91	
Unexpended balance		1 09	100 00

INSPECTION OF ANIMALS

Appropriation			130 00
Expenditures			
A. W. Mead, inspector	106 50		
Unexpended balance	23 50	130 00	130 00

STREET LIGHTS

Appropriation			2710 00
Expenditures			
Greenfield Electric Light Co.	2574 00		
Unexpended balance	136 00	2710 00	2710 00

TREE WARDEN

Expenditures

A. H. Holton, Labor	81 60		
Charles Holton, Labor	59 40		
Fred Janes	5 40		
S. Bolinski	3 60	150 00	150 00

STREET OIL

Appropriation			1000 00
Expenditures			
Standard Oil Co.	1000 00		1000 00

STATE AID

Appropriation			300 00
Paid Sundry persons	168 00		
Unexpended balance	132 00		
	300 00		300 00

MEMORIAL DAY

Appropriation			150 00
Paid G. A. R. Post	150 00		150 00

COMMUNITY NURSE

Appropriation			1800 00
Expenditures			
Marion Eckert, salary	379 19		
Grissell M. McLaren, salary	466 66		
Morgan Garage, Storage of auto, repairs and supplies	112 35		
Spencer Brothers, supplies	33 84		
S.E. Walker, Liability insurance	30 00		
F. A. Holton, Cash paid for registration of car	12 00		
H. W. Atkinson, Lesson in driving	8 80		
Rose G. Kendrick Garage rent	16 25		
Langsford Duley, Lessons in Driving	8 00		
Grissell M. McLaren, Sundry supplies	5 50	1072 59	
Unexpended balance		727 41	
Fees collected	194 68	1800 00	1800 00

FERRY BOAT

Appropriation			225 00
Expenditures			
George N. Kidder, Paint	9 45		
Fred Shantly, Ferryman	150 00		
Fred Shantly, Lumber	2 40		
C. E. Williams, Supplies	2 75		
C. A. Parker, Labor account	15 00	179 60	
Unexpended balance		45 40	225 00
Received from Town of Gill 89 80			

UNPAID BILLS OF 1924

Appropriation			1583 27
Expenditures			
City of Northampton, Poor account cash advanced		63 97	
Lulu Carey, Poor account, Board		20 00	
John Black, Poor account, Fuel		17 50	
G.N. Kidder, Poor account, Burial charges		93 00	
Town of Greenfield, Poor account, Hospital Care		118 00	
Evans Brothers, Poor account, fuel		3 00	
Sarah Harness, Poor acct., board		91 52	
Mrs. W. F. Callender, Poor acct, Rent		20 00	
G. O. Dunnell, Poor acct, Fuel		45 41	
Mrs. Margaret Callaghan, Poor acct, Rent		10 00	
Robbins & Evans, Poor acct., Groceries		25 26	
Sundry Persons, Fire Dept acct, payroll		194 56	
H. M. Bristol, Contingent acct, Repairs		3 38	
District Court, Contingent acct, Fees paid		35 20	
S. E. Walker, Contingent acct, Insurance		48 90	
Sundry persons, Contingent acct repairing walks		13 47	
Sundry persons, Contingent acct forest fire payroll		432 10	
Town of Erving, Contingent acct, forest fire payroll		90 25	
		1325 52	
Unexpended balance		257 75	
		1583 27	1583 27

GYPSY MOTH

Appropriation			600 00
Expenditures			
R. H. Parker, Labor	146 40		
R. H. Parker, Supplies	2 33		
Fred Janes, Labor	119 60		
Fred Janes, use of auto	20 00		
Charles Holton, Labor	131 60		
Ralph Holton, Labor	70 00		
Ralph Holton, use of auto	4 00		
Edward Bigelow, Labor	32 40		
Ernest Kenney, Labor	48 80		
Fitzhenry, Guptill Co., Supplies	2 23	577 36	
Unexpended balance		22 64	
		600 00	600 00

INSURANCE ON TOWN PROPERTY

Appropriation Town Meeting			500 00
Transfer from Reserve Fund			86 99
			586 99
Expenditures			
S. E. Walker, Insurance policies		586 99	586 99

TOWN HALL COMMITTEE

Appropriation forward from 1924			300 00
Expenditures			
Mohawk Engraving Co., Cuts	24 06		
Northfield Press, Printing	49 25		
J.William Beale's Son,Architect	50 00		
Haynes & Mason, Architect	50 00		
Herbert E. Foster, Architect	50 00	223 31	
Unexpended balance		76 69	
		300 00	300 00

GRAVEL BANK PURCHASE

Balance in appropriation forward from 1924			144 00
Expenditures			
Charles D. Streeter	144 00		144 00

BENNETTS MEADOW BRIDGE DEBT

Appropriation			1867 50
Expenditures			
National Shawmut Bank			
Paid 24th Bond	1500 00		
Paid Interest	367 50	1867 50	1867 50

HIGH SCHOOL—MEMORIAL HALL DEBT

Appropriation			1270 00
Paid Franklin Savings Institute			
25th Serial Payment	1000 00		
Interest	270 00	1270 00	1270 00

INTEREST ON LOANS

Appropriation			400 00
Expenditures			
First National Bank, Greenfield			
Discount on Temporary Loan	65 00		
Unexpended balance	335 00	400 00	400 00

RESERVE FUND

Appropriation			500 00
Transfers			
To Highways	164 38		
To Insurance on Town property	86 99	251 37	
Balance in Reserve Fund		248 63	500 00

LIBRARY

Appropriation	550 00
Credit interest on investments	725 99
	1275 99

Expenditures

Librarian	279 40		
Janitor	240 00		
Fuel	234 01		
Light and water	44 74		
Books and magazines	376 44		
Binding Books	15 85		
Repairs	11 93		
Investment exchange	65 34		
Miscellaneous	5 30	1273 01	
Balance unexpended		2 98	
		1275 99	1275 99

CEMETERIES

Appropriation		270 40
Credit interest on investments		632 03
		902 43

Expenditures

George Slate, labor	348 25		
W. H. Dresser, labor	96 60		
C. I. Holton, labor	162 93		
C. C. Morgan, labor	29 30		
Eler Thornton, labor	36 00		
R. H. Parker, labor	17 80		
Water Company, water	12 00		
C. I. Holton, fertilizer	43 50		
O. W. Butler, tools	4 50		
C. E. Williams, tools	4 50		
Granite S. Mower Co. mowers and repairs	19 78		
C. C. Morgan, miscellaneous	5 00		
C. I. Holton, miscellaneous	5 00		
G. N. Kidder, Sundry items of labor, truck, miscellaneous	61 20	846 36	
Unexpended balance		56 07	
		902 43	902 43

SCHOOLS

Appropriation			28500 00
Expenditures			
E. J. Best, superintendent	663 54		
L. W. Robbins, superintendent	561 54		
Teachers	17253 00		
Janitors	1665 25		
Transportation	3244 00		
Expenses of adminstration	193 68		
Text Books	515 05		
Supplies	669 47		
Fuel	2025 19		
Minor Repairs	791 93		
New Equipement	563 58		
Lighting and water	166 19		
Janitor Supplies	104 85		
Freight chge and miscellaneous	54 78	28472 05	
Unexpended balance		27 95	
Detail of expenditures listed in report of School Committee		28500 00	28500 00

RECAPITULATION

Totals of Appropriations, Expenditures and Unexpended Balances

Bennett's Meadow Bridge Debt	1867 50	1867 50	
High school Memorial Hall Debt	1270 00	1270 00	
Memorial Day	150 00	150 00	
Street Lighting	2710 00	2574 00	136 00
Street Oil	1000 00	1000 00	
Ferry	225 00	179 60	45 40
School Physician	100 00	100 00	
Fire Department	500 00	500 00	
Poor	3000 00	2724 52	275 48
Town Office Maintenance	225 00	195 25	29 75
Town Clerk Salary	200 00	200 00	
Town Clerk Expenses	50 00	39 60	10 40
Town Treasurer Salary	500 00	500 00	
Town Treasurer Expenses	50 00	31 27	18 73
Selectmen Salaries	600 00	515 00	85 00

Assessors Salaries	600 00	600 00	
Accountant Salary	500 00	500 00	
School Committee Salaries	75 00	75 00	
Sealer Salary	100 00	100 00	
Sealer Expenses	50 00	36 50	13 50
Inspection Animals	130 00	106 50	23 50
Interest on Loans	400 00	65 00	335 00
Schools	28500 00	28472 05	27 95
Bridge Repairs	500 00	392 29	107 71
Snow Removal	1500 00	1159 12	340 88
State Aid	300 00	168 00	132 00
Contingent	3000 00	2093 79	906 21
A. M. D. Alexander Hall	400 00	292 07	107 93
A. M. D. Alexander house upkeep	100 00	98 91	1 09
Insurance on Town property	586 99	586 99	
Tax Collector Salary	499 00	499 00	
Cemeteries 270 40			
Interest 632 03			
	902 43	846 36	56 07
Library 550 00			
Interest 725 99			
	1275 99	1273 01	2 98
Highways	10964 38	10964 38	
Aid to Agriculture	125 00	125 00	
Gypsy Moth	600 00	577 36	22 64
Unpaid Bills of 1924	1583 27	1325 52	257 75
Community Nurse	1800 00	1072 59	727 41
Holton Street Approach	500 00	500 00	
West Northfield School repairs	500 00	474 70	25 13
Railings for Highways	300 00	245 47	54 53
Stone Crusher	3000 00	2680 00	320 00
Automobile for Nurse	500 00	500 00	
Bennett Bridge repairs	31500 00	9971 17	21528 83

Farms State road, carried to 1926	10000 00		10000 00
Balance Reserve Fund	248 63		248 63
Gravel Bank Purchase from 1924	144 00	144 00	
Town Hall comittee from 1924	300 00	223 31	76 69
Total appropriation account	114082 19		
Expended from appropriations		78164 46	
Unexpended balances		35917 73	35917 73
Expended from appropriations to balance			78164 46
	114082 19	114082 19	114082 19

Expended from appropriations		78164 46
Cemetery bequests paid to bank		200 00
Paid State Treasurer over credit		1 35
Paid State Tax		4320 00
Paid State Soldiers Exemption		10 51
Paid State Auditing account		158 37
Paid State Highway Tax		482 80
Paid County Tax		4835 48
Paid Temporary Loan		10000 00
Total Payments		98172 97
Cash Balance January 1,1925	22915 92	
Total Receipts for year 1925	107900 38	
Cash Balance January 1, 1926		32643 33
	130816 30	130816 30

BONDED AND FUNDED DEBT JANUARY 1, 1926

Net bonded or fixed debt	$14,000 00	Bennett's Meadow Bridge Bonded Debt—Payable $1500 each year with interest at 3½%	$ 9,000 00
		High School Memorial Hall, Serial—Payable $1000 each year with interest at 4½%	5,000 00
	$14,000 00		$14,000 00

TRUST FUND ACCOUNTS

Cash and Securities			
Martha Alexander, Charity Fund, Trustees, on hand Dec. 31, 1925	$ 8,540 00	Distributed from interest received	$ 462 89
Elisha Alexander, Charity Fund, Selectmen, on hand Dec. 31, 1925	1,146 63	Distributed from interest received	
Belcher Center School Fund, Treasurer, on hand Dec. 31, 1925	2,000 00	Interest Paid to Town	113 17
Surplus Revenue School Fund, Treasurer, on hand Dec. 31, 1925	1,600 00	Interest Paid to Town	72 81
Belcher Library Fund, Treasurer, on hand Dec. 31, 1925	14,037 00	Interest Credited to Library Account	717 66
West Northfield Cemetery Fund, Treasurer, on hand Dec. 31, 1925	3,310 00	Interest Credited to Cemeteries Account	146 65
J. W. Cowles Cemetery Fund, Treasurer, on hand Dec. 31, 1925	2,000 00	Interest Credited to Cemeteries Account	120 01
Belcher Cemetery Fund, Treasurer, on hand Dec. 31, 1925	2,000 00	Interest Credited to Cemeteries Account	105 50
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds, Treasurer, on hand Dec. 31, 1925	5,649 75	Interest Credited to Cemeteries Account	259 87
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds, Selectmen, on hand Dec. 31, 1925	202 83		
	$40,486 21	Trust Funds—Income Total	$1,998 56

Trust Funds for Cemeteries	
Interest on Center Cemetery Funds	$425 23
Interest on W. Northfield Cemetery Funds	160 35
Interest on Farms Cemetery Funds	37 75
Interest on Mountain Cemetery Funds	4 55
Interest on Mt. Hermon Cemetery Funds	4 15
Amount credited to Cemeteries' Account	$632 03

BALANCE SHEET, DECEMBER 31, 1925

Assets

CASH		
Balance in Franklin County Trust Co.		$ 237.84
Town Hall Insurance Fund,	$ 4,500.00	
Surplus War Bonus Fund,	865.66	
From all other sources,	27,277.67	32,643.33
		$32,881.17
Due on former treasurer account,		$ 24.34
Accounts Receivable:		
Taxes—		
Property Levy of 1924,	$ 127.68	
Property Levy of 1925,	9,165.93	
Poll Levy of 1925,	32.00	
		$ 9,325.61
From the State:		
State Aid Account of 1925,		$ 168.00
Soldier's Exemption to be provided for in Revenue of 1926,		10.51
Farms State Road Loan authorized,		7,500.00
		$49,909.63

Liabilities

Surplus War Bonus Fund,	$ 865.66	
Town Hall Insurance Fund,	4,500.00	
Cemetery Lots Fund,	448.37	
Surplus tailings item of unused check,	17.81	
Departmental Revenue,	168.00	
		$ 5,999.84
Overlay Fund for abatements—		
Levy of 1924,	$ 150.00	
Levy of 1925,	170.04	
Reserve Fund Overlay Surplus,	638.52	
		$ 958.56
Unexpended Balances:		
Farms State Highway,	$10,000.00	
Bennett's Meadow Bridge Repairs,	21,528.83	
		$31,528.83
Excess and Deficiency (Surplus),		$11,422.40
		$49,909.63

Respectfully submitted,
C. S. WARNER,
Town Accountant.

Town Clerk's Report

Vital Statistics for the year ending December 31, 1925.

Births

Of American parentage	23
Of Foreign parentage	6
Males 15—Females 14	29

Marriages

Both parties American born	17
Both parties Foreign born	0
One American and one Foreign born	2
	19

Deaths

American born	28
Foreign born	2
Males 18—Females 12	30

Attention is called to the following vital statistics. It is very important that these records shall be complete and correct. If any errors are discovered the Clerk will deem it a favor to have them reported at once, so that corrections may be made.

Some of the many reasons why births should be recorded,

To prove nationality.
To prove legitimacy.
To show when a child has the right to enter school.
To show when the child has the right to seek employment under the child labor law.
To establish the right to inheritance to property.
To establish liability to military duty as well as exemption therefrom.
To establish the right to vote.
To establish identity.
To establish the right to hold public office.
To qualify to hold title to,and to buy or sell real estate.
To prove the age at which marriage contract may be entered into.

To make possible statistical studies of health conditions As required by Chapter 46, Section 15, General Laws of Massachusetts: Notice is hereby given that the Town Clerk will furnish blanks for returns of births, to parents, house holders, physicians, and registered hospital officers applying therefor.

Charles C. Stearns *Town Clerk*

Births

Jan. 14, Anna Emeline Slaight, Meilo C. and Anna M.
Feb. 7, Janice May Pierson, William A. and Murial H.
Feb. 22 Esthre Szestowicki, Poseph and Albluo
March 10, William George Andrew, Milford B. and Della L.
March 19, Stillborn
April 20, Stanislaus Mankowski, John A. and Valeria S.
April 22, Shirley Alger James W. and Lina H.
April 26, Enid Elizabeth Miner, Herman A. and Ada E.
May 3, Jean Ivy McGowan, George E. and Irene G.
May 4, Olive May Fisher Hermon B. and Harriet R.
May 5, Carl James Stone, Fred H. and Laura M.
May 13, (twins) Delphinene Elizabeth Field, Delvey McKinley Field, Charles F. and Nellie J.
May 25, Stillborn
June 12, Merna Ruth Darby, Theodore F. and Ruth H.
July 29, Gilbert Harrison Stacy, Harrison and Blanche S.
Aug. 1, Frank Barnard Holton, 2nd., Ralph B. and May W.
Aug. 8, Erwin Calvin Fisher, Otis S. and Bertha M.
Sept. 1, Arlene Grace Dunnell, Floyd M. and Marie M.
Sept. 14, Stillborn
Sept. 18, Sophie Florence Zabko, Raphle J. and Malvena L.
Sept. 28, Darwin Wilmer Holloway, James and Hattie I.
Oct. 7, Frederick Ware Tyler, Albert L. and Doris W.
Oct. 27, Junior Burt Trudes, Ernest G. and Eva M.
Nov. 11, Charles Everett Dresser, Raymond E. and Margaret A.
Nov. 12, Stillborn
Nov. 27, Stillborn
Dec. 2, Lee Arthur Hammond, Murray M. and Bertha S.
Dec. 5, Doris Beatrice Scherlin, Carl E. and Beatrice E.

Marriages

Date	Names	Residence	Married
Jan. 19,	Alton Whitney Horton,	Winchester, N. H.	
	Helen Irene Bardwell,	Winchester, N. H.,	Northfield
Apr. 22,	Roger Everett Hubbard,	Northfield	
	Ernestine Rosemond Brown,	Turners Falls,	Greenfield
June 6,	Sidney Hobart Given	Northfield	
	Marion Sophie Gans,	Cambridge,	Cambridge
June 12,	Henry Cyrus Holton, Jr.,	Northfield	
	Dorothy Elizabeth Tyrrell,	Suffield, Conn.,	Northfield
June 27,	Fred Gilman Huber	Northfield	
	Agda Florence Sword	Northfield	Northfield
July 6,	Warren Hodgdon Buffum	Northfield	Naugatuch
	Lulu Helen Abel	Naugatuch, Conn.,	Conn.
Aug. 6,	John Smith	Cambridge	
	Hattie Noursse	Cambridge	Northfield
Aug. 9,	Ernest Andrew Kenney	Northfield	
	Maud Flossie LaPan	Northfield	Northfield
Oct. 10,	Galen Gamble Stearns,	Hinsdale, N. H.	
	Helen May Parker	Northfield	Northfield
Oct. 11,	Howard Holland Thayer	Brattleboro, Vt.	
	Ruth Winona Maynard	Northfield	Northfield
Oct. 12,	John Patrick Carroll	Millers Falls	
	Naomi Effie Billings	Northfield	Northfield
Oct. 18,	James Ernest McElroy	Orange	
	Edna Sawyer Blanchard,	Somerville	Northfield
Oct. 27,	Howard A. M. Briggs	Northfield	
	Ona Ann Evans	Malden	Boston
Oct. 28,	Earl Francis O'Brien	Northampton	
	Josephine Marie Quinlan	Northfield	Northfield
Oct. 29,	Francis Earl Lily	Northfield	
	Marion Eckert	Springfield	Springfield
Oct. 31,	Joseph Laplante	Holyoke	
	Ella Demers Mason	Holyoke	Northfield
Nov. 14,	Winfred Rowell Fellows	Erving	
	Ruth Browing Miner	Northfield	Northfield
Nov. 17,	Henry Joseph Glutney	Northfield	
	Edna L. Ballantyne	Boston	Northfield
Nov. 24,	Fred James Reed	Putney, Vt.	
	Rena E. M. Vaughan	Vernon, Vt.	Northfield

Deaths

	years	mos.	days
Jan. 1 Louisa E. Scott	69	10	3
Jan. 11 Walter Brittan Jourdan	74	6	29
Jan. 28 Ruth Emly Poreau	30	2	13
Feb. 9 Elnora T. Thayer	67	10	28
Feb. 12 Ernest Motchman	68	10	15
March 19 Stillborn			
March 23 Lillian Kingsley Yerrington	63	4	6
May 1 Albert Everton Hooper	79	7	29
May 13 Edwin Amsden Pratt	68	6	26
May 25 Stillborn			
May 26 G. Francis Markle	12	4	19
May 28 Newton Windsor Keet	72	4	8
July 20 Helen Duda		1	16
July 23 Elizabeth Steele Peebles	42	6	20
Aug. 2 Albert Brooks	50	5	
Aug. 24 Frank Barnard Holton 2nd.			22
Sept. 14 Stillborn			
Sept. 14 Helen Aldrich Whitman	23	7	20
Sept. 20 Alvin George	67	3	16
Sept. 25 Elizabeth M. Purple	90	2	7
Oct. 12 Harry Barry		3	13
Oct. 15 Rachael Graham Maynard	53	3	13
Oct. 27 Jennie Leona Havercroft	37	11	17
Oct. 29 William Phelps Lamson	85	1	8
Nov. 12 Stillborn			
Nov. 23 Fred Day	72	7	4
Nov. 27 Stillborn			
Nov. 28 Alden Richard Huber	1	0	28
Dec. 19 Ernest Chapin Field	73	10	13
Dec. 24 Isaac L. Thomas	80	7	24

Dog Licenses

For the benefit of the owners and keepers of dogs the following extract of the General Laws is hereby submitted:—

General Laws, Chapter 140, Section 137. The owner or keeper of a dog which is three months old or over shall annually, on or before March thirty-first cause it to be registered, numbered, described and licensed for one year from the first day of April following. The owner or keeper of a licensed dog shall cause it to wear around its neck a collar distinctly marked with its *Owner s Name* and its *registered number.*

Section 138. The owner or keeper of a dog may at any time have it licensed until the first day of April following, and a person who becomes the owner or keeper of a dog after April first, which is not duly licensed and the owner or keeper of a dog three months old after March thirty-first in any year, shall, when it is three months old, cause it to be registered, numbered, described, licensed and collared as required by the preceding section.

Dog Licenses issued the past year

Male Dogs	170
Female Dogs (Spayed)	25
Female Dogs	22
Total	217

Hunter's Trapper's and Fisherman's Certificates.

Resident Combination, Hunting, Trapping and Fishing	66
Resident Hunting and Trapping	69
Resident Fishing	40
Non-Resident Combination	3
Non-Resident Fishing	7
Alien Fishing	2
Trappers (Minor)	7
Total number issued	194

CHARLES C. STEARNS, *Clerk.*

Assessors' Report

Assessed Value of Real Estate	1564526 00	
Assessed Value of Personal Property	131393 00	1895919 00

Rate per Thousand	37 80
Polls Assessed	523
Polls Exempt	8

Town Appropriations

Memorial Day	150 00
Tree Warden	150 00
School Physician	100 00
Bennett Meadow Bridge	1867 50
High school-Memorial Hall Debt	1270 00
Street Lights	2710 00
Street Oil	1000 00
Ferry Maintainance	225 00
Fire Department	500 00
Poor	3000 00
Town Office Maintainence	225 00
Town Clerk Salary-expenses	250 00
Town Treasurer "	550 00
Assessors Salary	600 00
Selectmens Salary	600 00
Town Accountant	500 00
School Committee	75 00
Sealer Salary and expenses	150 00
Inspection of Animals	130 00
Interest on Temporary Loans	400 00
Schools	28500 00
Repairs of Bridges	500 00
Snow Removal	1500 00
Contingent	3000 00
State Aid	300 00
Repairs Alexander Hall	400 00
Alexander House Upkeep	100 00
Insurance Town Property	500 00
Tax Collectors Salary	499 00

Cemeteries	270 40	
Highways	10800 00	
Library	550 00	
Aid to Agriculture	125 00	
Gypsy Moth	600 00	
Community Nurse	1800 00	
Holton Street Appropriation	500 00	
Repairs W. N. School house	500 00	
Railings on Highways	300 00	
Gravel Crusher	3000 00	
Auto for Nurse	500 00	
Bennett Meadow B. Repairs	14500 00	
Reserve Fund	500 00	
Soldiers Exemptions	13 31	
Overlay account 1922	202 96	83913 17
County Tax	4835 48	
State Tax	4320 00	
Highways	482 50	
Audit Expenses	158 37	
Overlay	432 41	10228 76
Total Appropriations		94141 93

Estimated Income to Reduce Tax Account

Income Tax	4974 26
Corporation Tax	988 11
School Funds	5090 40
School Tuition from State	864 29
School Supt Salary	676 66
Int. on School Funds	132 82
County Dog Fund	294 29
Tax Reimbursement	92 13
Inspection of Animals	53 25
Temporary Aid	1162 52
National Bank Tax	39 00
Highways	5400 00
Gill Ferry account	109 00
Hospital Refund	275 00
District Nurse Fees	107 33
Sealers Fees	19 60
Hall Rents	20 00
Alexander House rent	345 00
Licenses and permits	68 00

Interest on Deposits	258 00		
Sale of Material	225 90		
Refund General	236 00		
Total Estimated Income		21431 56	
Raised on Real Estate		59136 55	
Raised on Personal Property		15277 82	
Raised on Polls		1046 00	94141 93
December Assessment			950 00
Acres of land owned by the state		935 88	
No. of Horses assessed		284	
No. Cows assessed		771	
No. of Sheep assessd		73	
No. of Neat Cattle assessed		221	
No. of Swine assessed		35	
No. of Fowls assessed		3279	
No. of Dwellings assessed		586	
No. of acres land assessed		18798 1-2	

Respectfully submitted

A. H. MATTOON
J. R. COLTON
C. E. LEACH, *Assessors.*

Report of Tax Collector

Taxes—1923

Deferred Interest on Personal & Real, Rec. Jan. 30, 1925			03
Payment to Town Treasurer			03

Taxes—1924

Outstanding January 1, 1925:			
Personal & Real	6455 89		
Interest collected to Jan. 1, 1926	148 61		6604 50
Payments to Town Treasurer:			
Personal & Real	6228 65		
Interest	148 61		6377 26
			227 24
Abatements			99 56
Outstanding, January 1, 1926			127 68

Taxes—1925

Commitment:			
May 12, 1925 Polls	1046 00		
Sept. 12, 1925 P & R	71664 37		
Oct.27,1925 Special Assess.	34 02		
Dec. 23, 1925 Dec. Assess.	35 94	72780 33	
Fees collected, Polls		7 25	
Interest received:			
Polls	05		
P & R	94 70	94 75	72882 33
			73010 01
Payments to Town Treasurer:			
Polls	1014 00		
P & R	62306 03		
Interest	94 75		
Fees	7 25	63422 03	

Abatements:			
Personal & Real		262 37	63684 40
			9325 61
Outstanding, January 1, 1926:			
1924 Personal & Real	127 68		
1925 Polls	32 00		
1925 Personal & Real	9165 93		9325 61

LEON R. ALEXANDER,

Collector of Taxes for Town of Northfield.

Cemetery Commissioners' Report

We, the Cemetery Commissioners of Northfield, submit our report for the past year. We ask for $210.00 to be raised and appropriated to help care for the cemeteries in 1926.

We also ask for the unexpended balance in the Cemetery Interest Fund to be reappropriated as we think it is only fair to those who have left money by bequest, the interest of which is to be used in the cemetery.

Fences at the cemeteries need repairs very bad, but under the present conditions and tax rate we have decided to wait until next year.

Approved bills for Labor etc.

Geo. Slate	63 25
W. H. Dresser	36 00
W. H. Dresser	34 80
Geo. Slate	83 00
W. H. Dresser	25 80
E. Thornton	11 20
C. C. Morgan	12 00
C. I. Holton	56 37
Water Co.	6 00
Geo. Slate	52 00
C. I. Holton	50 29
C. C. Morgan	6 40
E. Thornton	16 40
C. I. Holton	43 50
Water Co.	6 00
R. H. Parker	17 80
Geo. Slate	104 00
C. C. Morgan	10 90
E. Thornton	8 40
Geo. Slate	46 00
C. I. Holton	56 27
C. E. Williams	4 50
C. W. Butler	4 50
Granite State Machine Co.	19 78
C. I. Holton	5 00
C. C. Morgan	5 00
G. N. Kidder	61 20

Appropriation		270 40
Receipts from Int. Funds per Accountant		632 03
Unexpended balance	56 07	
	902 43	902 43

Deeds Recorded 1925

Page 218	Geo. R. Clough, Esq.		1 00
219	Lyle R. Clough		25 00
221	Carrie B. Cowles		20 00
222	F. B. and R. B. Holton		48 00
223	C. H. Webster		12 00
224	Aiden French		20 00
225	C. I. Sherwin and C. R. Walker		25 00
226	Mrs. Alvin George		13 00
227	Merton O. Cooper		12 00
228	Robert Strange		15 00
229	Francis W. Whitman		16 00
Received on Outstanding Accounts			
	Geo. M. Stratton		20 00
	Rent of Pasture 1925		5 00
Payment to Treasurer		212 00	
Cash on hand		20 00	
		232 00	232 00

Outstanding accounts January 1, 1926:	
Malla E. Woodhouse	8 00
Cash on hand	20 00

C. C. MORGAN
C. I. HOLTON
GEO. N. KIDDER
Cemetery Commissioners

GEO. N. KIDDER, Clerk.

Library Trustees' Report

The Trustees of the Dickinson Memorial Library submit their report for the year ending Dec. 31, 1925.

The total income of the Library for the year was $1275.99 of which sum the town contributed $550. After meeting the maintenance and running expenses of the library this income permits but a comparatively small amount for replacement of worn out books, rebinding, and the purchase of new books—the latter an absolute necessity if the people of the town, and especially the younger ones, are to get the utmost possible benefit from this institution.

While during the past year the Trustees have added a very substantial number of new books, there are many which would be desirable to have if funds permitted. Those books which are especially worth-while for a public library are unfortunately usually of such high cost that they are beyond acquirement except in very limited numbers. Furthermore, the cost of the ordinary book is nearly double what it was a few years ago. When it is considered, also, that the running expenses of the Library have somewhat increased the past year, the Trustees feel that the growth of the Library should be a matter of congratulation.

The Library could, and should, be used more extensively than it now is, and the habit of reading good books be fostered and encouraged. Those who do not now avail themselves of the Library privileges could there find new fields for entertainment and education, and would find the librarian always helpful and painstaking in assisting readers in a choice of books, or in making the library more useful to our citizens.

In view of the general desire for economy in town expenses, the Trustees ask for an appropriation of $550, the same as last year.

A report of the year's activities of the library is appended, and a detailed statement of the expenses for last year will be found in the Town Accountant's Report.

N. P. WOOD, *Chairman*
F. L. DULEY, *Secretary*
J. F. BITTINGER
Mrs. S. CATHERINE RICHARDSON
Mrs. C. C. STOCKBRIDGE
Mrs. NELLIE M. WOOD, *Trustees.*

Librarian's Report

Volumes in library last report	7,932
Purchased last year	152
Given last year	36
Number of volumes bound	2
Total in library	8,122
Number of family patrons	197
Number of individual patrons	238
Number of books taken by schools	256
Number of books taken by visitors	480
Number of books taken by families	12,038
Magazines circulated	890
Total circulation	13,664
Publications subscribed for	25
Publications given	10
Number of readers using room	3,120

Books Given

Rev. George Wittie	1
Charles E. Foreman	1
Mrs. A. H. Stockbridge	1
Fred Hale	1
M. E. Haven	1
Miscellaneous	31

Relics

Broiler for fireplace	Mrs. Jennie Foreman
Old Singing books	Mrs. N. M. Wood
Old Singing books	Mrs. Julia Newton

Financial Statement

Balance on hand last report	$ 2 15
Fines collected	30 12
Sold papers	1 05

Paid for papers	13 00
Express and postage	4 58
Library bureau cards	9 50
Incidentals	2 15
Balance	4 09

Mrs. C. A. RANDALL, *Librarian.*

School Committee's Report

Organization of the Board for the year, 1925.

R. H. Philbrick, M. D., *Chairman.*	Term Expires 1926
Mrs. Maude M. Montague, *Secretary*	Term Expires 1927
Lester A. Polhemus	Term Expires 1928

Superintendent of Schools

Linville W. Robbins, A. M.

School Physician

N. P. Wood, M. D.

School Nurse

Grisell M. McLaren, R. N.

Attendance Officer

H. M. Haskell

School Calendar

Open: January 4, 1926
Close: March 12 and March 26, 1926
Open: April 5, 1925
Close: June 11, and 25, 1926
Open: September 6, 1926
Close: December 17, and 24, 1926
Open: January 3, 1927

School Superintendent's Report

Part 1; In General

To the School Committe and Citizens of the Town of Northfield:—

Herewith I submit the report of the school system of the town for the fiscal year 1925. This is my first report and covers the last half of the year from my personal experience and the first part of the year from data left by the former superintendent and from information given me from time to time.

The teachers are, on the whole, earnest, enthusiastic, with excellent education and training, and the children committed to their care are receiving well correlated instruction. Because the buildings are so widely scattered there has hitherto been little attempt to build up a system which should recognize the divided responsibility that exists where special persons are hired to do special services, all looking to one person, the Superintendent, for instruction and he responsible to a Board placed in general charge of the whole system. It has been my endeavor to impress this idea on all the people connected with the schools and it will gradually develop as time passes.

Books and supplies are, on the whole, modern and satisfactory, but I think more stress should be placed on the first grades, to ensure more rapid development by correlating board work, textbook and handwork. The hardest work in the world is to unlearn error and we must give the beginners the right start in every line. For instance, the correct spelling of a word must be taught before he learns a wrong way for once learned wrong, it is almost impossible for the wrong spelling to be corrected. It has been well said that the greatest day in a child's life is his first day in school. We must recognize this fact and make his advent into school the opening of an era of steady progress which shall not end with his school days.

The buildings are well placed and offer fine opportunity for improvement, taking them one at a time. It is a surprising fact to find a town in which every school building, one small and remote one excepted, is equipped with base-

ment heaters, ventilating systems, modern sanitary closets, bubbling water fountains and ample playgrounds. Few towns in the State cay say as much.

It must be our endeavor to keep all that has been gained and to make advances wherever possible. The most prominent material improvements are at West Northfield and Number 3 Schools. At the former building, new paint inside and out make it more attractive and many smaller repairs inside make it more convenient and comfortable for all. Number 3 is completely renovated. New paint inside and out make the building look better and new furniture for children and teacher make the buildnig a modern school unit. A pipe has been driven into the ground beneath the building and a supply of good water assured. The furnaces at the High and Center tSchools have been overhauled and rebuilt, so that they should work well. Those at the High School are going well but there is some trouble with the ventilating intake to the south furnace at the Center School which prevents it working as well as it should. Many smaller repairs have been effected at all the buildings to keep them in correct shape. The desks have been removed from one room of the High School and tablet arm chairs purchased to take their place. A use will be found for these desks very soon. Some additional work is needed at the Farms School. The water supply fails at times for some reason not yet explained; also the lower room gets more than its share of heat and is frequently too warm when the upper room needs heat. These faults should be corrected next summer.

The large increase in the number attending the high school compelled us to move the eighth grade which occupied part of the space to the East Northfield building and unite them with the eighth grade pupils already there. The high school needed the room and the eighth grade pupils are now all combined into one class which is just as it should be.

I wish to call your earnest and thoughtful attention to one fact brought out in the statistical tables following— namely, the increase in school attendance. There are 40 more pupils registered now than were on the rolls a year ago. If this increase continues an additional room and teacher will be required. It can not be postponed.

The town is fortunate to have for a school committee, three citizens so well equipped, possessing not only the education and experience, but also the readiness to devote the time and energy to the solution of the problems that arise al-

most daily; and to them and to all the citizens with whom I have came in contact, I wish to return my sincere thanks for kindly co-operation and constructive suggestions.

Respectfully submitted,

LINVILLE W. ROBBINS, *Superintendent of Schools.*

Part 2, Statistics

Census Report; April 1, 1925

Number persons in town, 5 to 7 years of age	71
Number persons in town, 7 to 14 years of age	264
Number persons in town, 14 to 16 years of age	89
	424

Enrollment of Pupils

(a) By Grades

Elementary	Boys	Girls	Total		
Grade 1	43	23	66		
Grade 2	20	25	45		
Grade 3	19	29	48		
Grade 4	21	22	43		
Grade 5	15	18	33		
Grade 6	25	23	48		
Grade 7	15	18	33		
Grade 8	16	16	32	348	
High					
9	11	12	23		
10	10	16	26		
11	7	3	10		
12	10	5	15	74	422
Enrollment, Fall Term, 1924					382
Increase					40

(b) By Totals

High School Enrollment	74	
Elementary School Enrollment	348	422

Appropriation, February, 1925			28500 00
	Expenditures, 1925		
Superintendent,			
E. J. Best	663 54		
L. W. Robbins	561 54	1225 08	
Teachers			
Mary MacDonald	1700 00		
Marie Bixby	780 00		
Evelyn G. Lawley	1240 00		
Dorothy Tyrrell	720 00		
Emma R. Belcher	480 00		
Mildred P. Griggs	480 00		
Dorothy Sime	570 00		
Arthur P. Martin	400 00		
Mary E. Dalton	950 00		
Kathleen M. Gaetz	950 00		
Elizabeth G. Braley	1000 00		
Mildred Sprague	570 00		
Margaret Mather	380 00		
Mary Larsen	570 00		
Eleanor L. Pratt	380 00		
Alfred H. Evans	1000 00		
Fannie G. Buffum	950 00		
Ruth Wilder	570 00		
Norma G. Thurston	380 00		
Dorothy L. Parker	950 00		
Gertrude E. Brown	950 00		
Marion A. Dwyer	770 00	17253 00	
Janitors			
Charles E. Baxter	1002 40		
Ernest W. Maynard	261 80		
Myron A. Billings	165 05		
Alfred H. Evans	160 00		
Gertrude E. Brown	36 00		
Marion A. Dwyer	36 00		
George W. Webster	3 00	1664 25	

Transportation		
John Black	175 00	
Charles S. Tenney	1665 00	
East Northfield Transfer	1137 00	
Charles F. Field	138 00	
George W. Piper	72 00	
Kenneth Woodberry	57 00	5244 00
Expenses of Adminstration		
E. J. Best	69 36	
Office Appliance Co.	4 17	
Oval & Koster	9 05	
Aulds Inc.	9 09	
Wright & Potter	4 16	
A. L. Goodrich	19 50	
Speaker	18 00	
Greenfield Recorder	2 75	
Lewis Bryant	18 85	
Northfield Press	38 75	193 68
Textbooks		
Houghton, Mifflin Co.	20 41	
Ginn & Co.	47 13	
E. E. Babb & Co.	219 44	
World Book Co.	7 86	
B. H. Sanborn & Co	32 50	
American Book Co.	17 95	
D. C. Heath & Co.	51 75	
Allyn & Bacon	26 49	
Outlook Co.	3 78	
Literary Digest	6 50	
Arlo Pub. Co.	13 49	
J. F. Ferris & Co.	37 40	
Lyons & Carnahan	3 96	515 05
Supplies		
E. E. Babb & Co.	136 68	
J. L. Hammett Co.	82 96	
Dowling Supply Co.	91 80	
Phoenix Fire Ins. Co.	30 00	
Andrews Paper Co.	15 19	
Milton Bradley Co.	251 09	
Ryan & Buker	15 29	
H. W. Carter Paper Co.	4 25	

Merck & Co.	21 69	
Calta Glass Works	14 52	
F. I. Webster	1 25	
Geo. N. Kidder	5 90	669 47
Janitor's Supplies		
Spencer Bros.	4 50	
A. George	2 50	
F. A. Irish	7 90	
C. E. Williams	43 26	
Adams Miss. Co.	17 85	
E. B. Buffum	6 72	
Robbins & Evans	9 78	
H. A. Lewis	1 50	
Phil. Lawn Mower Co.	13 42	107 44
Fuel		
C. I. Holton	64 00	
O. S. Fisher	40 00	
Evans Brothers	1 16	
George O. Dunnell	1750 29	
Leach Bros.	137 50	
H. E. Sheldon	2 00	
J. E. Downs	30 34	2025 19
Repairs		
A. E. Holton	18 45	
C. A. Parker	42 10	
F. W. Harness	5 50	
F. P. Davidson	1 25	
H. M. Bristol	295 32	
L. H. Lazelle	120 00	
J. B. Hunter Co.	9 95	
Evans Bros	2 53	
J. R. Colton	17 31	
A. M. Hastings	21 14	
Bigelow & Slate	17 20	
E. H. Starkey	1 25	
J. M. Anderson	3 35	
E. C. Gerrish	64 85	
Franklin County Lmbr Co.	8 68	
Holden, Martin Co.	32 02	
Kenney Bros, & Wolkins	20 28	
T. A. Clark	17 72	

Leavis & Bolton	12 00		
W. Parker	1 20		
C. L. Johnson	52 02		
C. L. Hall	18 20		
Ward Holton	9 60	791 93	
New Equipment			
Readsboro Chair Co.	491 25		
Allen Shade Holder	72 33	563 58	
Water and Light			
Electric Current	87 53		
Water Co.	78 66	166 19	
Freight, Express and Misc.	54 78	54 78	
Total of all subdivisions		27472 05	
Unexpended balance		27 95	28500 00

Recapitulation and Recommendations for 1926

	1925	1926
Superintendent and Teachers	18478 08	19000 00
Janitors	1665 25	1700 00
Transportation	3244 00	3250 00
Administration Expenses	193 68	200 00
Textbooks	515 05	500 00
Supplies	669 47	650 00
Fuel	2025 19	2125 00
Minor Repairs	791 93	750 00
New Equipment	563 58	500 00
Water and Light	166 19	175 00
Janitors Supplies	104 85	100 00
Freight, Express and Misc.	54 78	50 00
	28472 05	29000 00
Revenue from all sources	8112 25	
Net cost school, 1925	20359 80	

Report of High School Principal

Mr. L. W. Robbins, Superintendent of Schools.

Dear Sir:

I herewith respectfully submit my fifth annual report as Principal of the Northfield High School.

In September the high school opened with the largest enrollment in the last five years. The crowded condition of the school was much alleviated by the removal of the Eighth Grade to East Northfield. There have been enrolled 74, classified as follows:

	Boys	Girls	Total
Seniors	10	5	15
Juniors	7	3	10
Sophomores	10	16	26
Freshmen	11	12	23

There have been two changes in the teaching force. Miss Emma R. Belcher of Hardwick, a graduate of Middlebury College with the degree of Bachelor of Science, has charge of the History and French, and Miss Mildred P. Griggs, of Holliston and a graduate of Framingham Normal with the degree of Bachelor of Science, has Domestic Arts, one class in English, and Biology, a new course made possible by the extra teaching time given by the removal of the Eighth Grade. This course is open to Sophomores and gives more choice to them in the General Curriculum. The rest of the subjects are the same as last year except for the changes necessitated by alternating courses. Of these Cicero, English IV, Chemistry, Cooking, and U. S. History are being given, with Commercial Geography in the Business Department, followed by Occupations the second half. The class in Chemistry this year is so large that it taxes the size and equipment of the laboratory. It is impossible for anyone to teach science efficiently without room and equipment enough for each pupil to do individual work. The Advanced Cooking class has a double period this year and has had charge of the hot lunches which have been served twice a week since the middle of September. After the first of February the beginning class will serve the lunches. Hot cocoa is now being

served each day to those wishing it. The cost of materials for the lunches and for practice cooking has been fully met by the proceeds.

Five girls received home nursing certificates from the Red Cross as a result of the course given last year. Gordon Reed won the 1925 Short Story Contest, with a story afterwards published in "The Press". The English classes have also continued their notes in the paper.

Melvin Glazier, Margaret Laird, Esther Tenney, and Dean Williams were awarded Pro Merito pins in June. Margaret Laird received the Lincoln Medal given by the Illinois Watch Company for the best theme written by a Senior or Junior on Abraham Lincoln. The medal has been offered again this year, as well as one for excellence in American History to be given by the Massachusetts Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution.

In closing, I wish to thank the School Committee, Librarian, and the townspeople for their continued interest and urge upon the parents to co-operate with us in encouraging punctuality and regular attendance.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY MacDONALD

Report of School Physician

To the Board of Selectmen,

Mr. Fred A. Holton, Chairman,
Northfield, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

To the School Committee of Northfield:—

Complying with the law, requiring such report, 395 school children have been examined by your school physician assisted by the school nurse.

Records of such examinations and defects found are kept on forms provided by the State Board of Education and evidence of disease or remedial defects are reported to parent or guardian.

Also sanitary conditions and evidences of poor house keeping by teachers or janitors are noted.

As a rule, teachers and parents have been most willing to co-operate in efforts to improve school conditions.

The method of supplying an adequate and pure water supply in District No. 4 is far from being satisfactory, and should be remedied.

The heating arrangements in the upper room of the school house in West Northfield are wretched and should be materially improved. Under present conditions, the health of both teacher and scholars is menaced.

Progress in school work in Districts No. 3 and 4 has been interupted by an epidemic of pertussis. No serious results have developed.

Respectfully submitted,

N. P. WOOD, *School Physician.*

School and District Nurse's Report

To the Selectmen and the School Committe of the Town of Northfield:

A report of the services rendered by me as Community and School Nurse for the last four months of the year, 1925, is hereby submitted.

Maternity cases, 3.
Prenatal visits, 2.
Child Welfare, 15.
Nursing visits, 169.

During part of the month of September, having no license for driving a car, I was able to meet only such calls as were within walking distance, or where transportation was provided. The new Ford, which was put into use in November, has added greatly to the comfort and efficiency of going about on duty.

In connection with the schools, there has been the usual work, assisting the school physician with his examinations, weighing and measuring the pupils, urging upon both parents and children the necessity of having physical defects corrected, and giving instruction in regard to the formation of good health habits. For this last, there has been most encouraging co-operation on the part of the teachers and most of the pupils, and the results are evident. At the beginning of the school year an alarming number of pupils were found to be more than 10 percent under weight, while at the beginning of the second term there were only a few.

A considerable amount of literature has been distributed in the schools, concerning the care of the teeth, the danger from tonsils and adenoids, proper food, the general care of the health, etc., and upon the teachers has been urged the

necessity of regular and systematic instruction upon the subjects pertaining to good health.

School visits, 63.
School home visits, 13.
Pupils excluded from school, 9.

At the request of the Superintendent of Schools, two days were given to work in the Gill schools, in December.

Respectfully submitted,

GRISELL M. McLAREN, *R. N.*

Report of Fire Chief

Since the year 1919 the Fire Department has had no record of its work published in the annual Town Report.

We believe that the citizens should know what this organization is doing with the equipment it has with which to protect property.

The Department has been called out to fifteen fires during the past year. Ten of these fires were chimney fires. The other five fires were building fires.

The Buick chassis which the firemen bought and equipped with the town's chemicals has proven that a chemical truck is practicable. At fires such as Dale's, Shuman's and various chimney fires the chemical truck has shown its ability to hold fires under control.

The citizens of Northfield must take into consideration the fact that this is an old truck and cannot be expected to do work as quickly or as thoroughly as an up-to-date apparatus.

We ask for an appropriation of $500. for the ensuing year.

Detail of expenditures will be found in the Town Accountant's report.

JAMES W. ALGER

Chief of Fire Department.

Report of State Auditor

I submit herewith my report of an audit of the accounts of the town of Northfield for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1925, made in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws. This report is in the form of a report made to me by Mr. Edward H. Fenton, Chief Examiner of this Division.

Very truly yours,

Theodore N. Waddell, *Director of Accounts.*

Mr. Theodore N. Waddell,
Director of Accounts,
Department of Corporation and Taxation,
State House, Boston.

Sir:

In accordance with your instructions, I have made an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Northfield for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1925, and submit the following report thereon:

The financial transactions of the town, as recorded on the books of the several departments receiving money for the town, or committing bills for collection, were examined and checked for the period covered by the audit.

The books and accounts of the town treasurer were examined and checked. The recorded receipts were checked with the records in the several departments collecting money for the town and with the other sources from which money was paid into the town treasury. The payments were checked with the original vouchers and pay-rolls and with the selectmen's warrants authorizing the treasurer to disburse town funds.

The cash balance in the treasury was reconciled with the statement furnished by the bank.

Appended to this report are tables showing a reconciliation of the treasurer's cash.

The accounts of the collector of taxes for the years 1924 and 1925 were examined and checked in detail. The commitment books were footed, the payments to the treasurer were verified by a comparison with the treasurer's cash book and with the accountant's ledger, and the recorded abatements were checked with the assessors' records of abatements granted. The outstanding accounts were listed and reconciled with the accountant's ledger and were verified by mailing notices to a number of persons whose accounts appeared as unpaid on the collector's books.

Appended herewith are summary tables of the tax collector's accounts.

The accountant's ledger was examined, and a balance sheet, which is appended to this report, was prepared, showing the financial condition of the town on December 31, 1925.

The appropriations and transfers voted by the town were checked with the town clerk's records and with the accountant's ledger.

The securities and savings bank books in the custody of the town treasurer, the trustees of charity funds, and the selectmen were examined and the income verified.

The attention of the library trustees is again called to Section 54, Chapter 44, General Laws, dealing with the investment of trust funds held by towns.

The surety bond of the tax collector was examined and found to be in proper form. The town clerk's bond was not on file, as required by Section 13, Chapter 41, General Laws. The surety bond of the treasurer was in the form of continuation certificates. It is recommended that the bond of the treasurer be taken out yearly, similar in form to that of the tax collector.

The receipts of the town clerk on account of dog licenses were examined, and the payments to the county were verified. The records of the cemetery trustees dealing with the sale of lots were examined and checked.

For the courtesies extended during the process of the audit, I desire, on the part of my assistants and myself, to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward H. Fenton, *Chief Examiner.*

Reconciliation of Treasurer's Cash

Balance January 1, 1925		22915 92	
Receipts 1925		107900 38	
			130816 30
Payments 1925		98172 97	
Balance December 31, 1925		32643 33	
			130816 30
Balance December 31, 1925, per cash book			32643 33
Balance December 31, 1925, First National Bank of Gfld, per statement	32520 97		
Less outstanding checks December 31, 1925, per list	8479 11		
		24041 86	
Cash on hand December 31, 1925, (deposited January 2, 1926)		8601 47	
			32643 33

Taxes—1924

Outstanding January 1, 1925			6455 89
Payments to treasurer		6228 65	
Abatements		99 56	
Outstanding December 31, 1925, per list		127 68	
			6455 89

Taxes—1925

Commitment:			
Real and personl		71664 37	
Polls		1046 00	
December assessment		69 96	
			72780 33
Payments to treasurer:			
Real and personal	62306 03		
Polls	1014 00		
		63320 03	
Abatements:			
Real and personal		262 37	
Outstanding December 31, 1925			
Real and personal	9165 93		
Polls	32 00		
		9197 93	
			72780 33
Outstanding January 1, 1926:			
Real and personal		9165 93	
Polls		32 00	
			9197 93

Outstanding January 2, 1925, per list:			
Real and personal	8954 41		
Polls	32 00		
		8986 41	
Cash on hand January 2, 1925		211 52	
			9197 93

Reconciliation of Collector's Cash

Balance per cash book January 4, 1926:			
Taxes 1925		211 52	
Interest		1 56	
			213 08
Balance Winchester National Bank, N. H.			
January 4, 1926, per statement		7292 06	
Less outstanding checks, per list		7078 98	
			213 08

Town Clerk

Dog licenses issued 1925:			
195 Males and spayed females	at 2 00	390 00	
22 Females	at 5 00	110 00	
			500 00
Payments to county treasurer 1925		456 60	
Clerk's fees retained, 217 at 20c		43 40	
			500 00

Cemetery Commissioners

Outstanding January 1, 1925			28 00
Deeds issued in 1925, per deed book:			
Page 218 George R. Clough Est.	1 00		
219 Lyle R. Clough	25 00		
221 Carrie B. Cowles	20 00		
222 F.B.and R.B.Holton	48 00		
223 C. H. Webster	12 00		
224 A. French	20 00		
225 C. T. Sherman and C. R. Walker	25 00		
226 Mrs. Alvin George	13 00		
227 Merton Hooper	12 00		
228 Robert Strange	15 00		
229 Francis W. Whitman	16 00		
		207 00	
Rent of pasture		5 00	
			212 00
			240 00

Payments to treasurer		
Sale of lots	207 00	
Rent of pasture	5 00	
		212 00
Outstanding December 31, 1925:		
Molla E. Woodhouse		8 00
Cash on had December 31, 1925		20 00
		240 00

Elisha Alexander Charity Fund

In Custody of Selectmen

	Savings Bank Deposits	Total
On hand January 1, 1925	1121 41	1121 41
On hand December 31, 1925	1121 41	1121 41

Receipts

Interest and income earned	51 01
Total	51 01

Payments

Payments for charity	51 01
Total	51 01

Martha W. Alexander Charity Fund

In Custody of Trustees

	Cash	Savings Bank Deposits	Total
On hand January 1, 1925	90 00	8525 00	8615 00
On hand December 31, 1925	15 00	8525 00	8540 00

Receipts

Interest and income earned	387 89
On hand January 1, 1925	90 00
Total	477 89

Payments

Payments for Charity	462 89
On hand December 31, 1925	15 00
Total	477 89

Surplus Revenue School Fund

In Custody of Treasurer

	Savings Bank Deposits	Total
On hand January 1, 1925	1600 00	1600 00
On hand December 31, 1925	1600 00	1600 00

Receipts

Interest and income earned	72 81
Total	72 81

Payments

Transferred to town	72 81
Total	72 81

Belcher Center School Fund

In Custody of Treasurer

	Securities	Savings Bank Deposits	Total
On hand January 1, 1925	1000	1000	2000
On hand December 31,1925	1000	1000	2000

Receipts

Interest and income earned	113 17
Total	113 17

Payments

Transferred to town	113 17
Total	113 17

Belcher Library Trust Funds

In Custody of Treasurer

	Securities	Savings Bank Deposits	Total
On hand January 1, 1925	13900 00	37 00	13937 00
On hand Dec. 31, 1925	14000 00	37 00	14037

Receipts

Sale of securities	2900 00
Premium on securities sold	2 50
Accured interest on securities sold	53 91
Discount on securities purchased	265 00

Transferred from Library	57 01
Interest and income earned	717 66
Total	3996 08

Payments

Purchase of securities	3000 00
Accrued interest on securities purchased	50 42
Discount on secruities sold	227 00
Commission on secruities purchased	1 00
Transferred to town	717 66
Total	3996 08

West Northfield Cemetery Fund

In Custody of Treasurer

	Liberty Bonds	Savings Bank Deposits	Total
On hand January 1, 1925	1300 00	1910 00	3210
On hand Dec. 31, 1925	1300 00	1910 00	3210

Receipts

Interest and income earned	142 15
Total	142 15

Payments

Transferred to town	142 15
Total	142 15

Belcher Cemetery Fund—Private

In Custody of Treasurer

	Securities	Savings Bank Deposits	Total
On hand January 1, 1925	1000	1000	2000
On hand Dec. 31, 1925	1000	1000	2000

Receipts

Interest and income earned	105 50
Total	105 50

Payments

Transferred to town	105 50
Total	105 50

J. W. Cowles Cemetery Fund

In Custody of Treasurer

	Securities	Total
On hand January 1, 1925	2000 00	2000
On hand December 31, 1925	2000 00	2000

Receipts

Interest and income earned	120 01
Total	120 01

Payments

Transferred to town	120 01
Total	120 01

Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds

In Custody of Treasurer

	Savings Bank Deposits	Total
On hand January 1, 1925	5549 75	5549 75
On hand December 31, 1925	5749 75	5749 75

Receipts

Interest and income earned	256 70
Bequests	200 00
Total	456 70

Payments

Transferred to town	256 70
Added to savings bank	200 00
Total	456 70

Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds

In Custody of Selectmen

	Savings Bank Deposits	Total
On hand January 1, 1925	189 79	189 79
On hand December 31, 1925	189 79	189 79

TOWN OF NORTHFIELD

Balance Sheet—December 31, 1925

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Assets			Liabilities		
Cash:			Unexpended Balances:		
Balance, Franklin County Trust Company,	$ 237.84		State Highway Construction,	$10,000.00	
Balance of 1925,	32,643.33		Bennett's Meadow Bridge Construction,	21,528.83	
		$32,881.17			$31,528.83
Cash discrepancy—former treasurer,		$ 24.34	Tailings,		17.81
Accounts Receivable:			Surplus War Bonus Fund,		865.66
Taxes:			Cemetery Lots Fund,		448.37
Levy of 1924,	$ 127.68		Town Hall Insurance Fund,		4,500.00
Levy of 1925,	9,197.93		Reserve Fund (Overlay Surplus),		660.84
		$ 9,325.61	Overlay reserved for abatements:		
From the State:			Levy of 1924,	$ 127.68	
State Aid,		$ 168.00	Levy of 1925,	170.04	
To be provided for in Revenue 1926:					$ 297.72
Soldiers' Exemption 1925,		10.51	Departmental Revenue,		$ 168.00
Loans authorized,		7,500.00	Surplus Revenue:		
			1924 and prior,	$ 2,177.88	
			1925,	9,244.52	
					$11,422.40
		$49,909.63			$49,909.63

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt,	$14,000.00	Bennett's Meadow Bridge Loan,	$ 9,000.00
		High School Loan,	5,000.00
	$14,000.00		$14,000.00

TRUST FUND ACCOUNTS

Trust Funds—Cash and Securities:		Elisha Alexander Charity Fund (Selectmen),	$1,121.41
In Custody of Selectmen,	$ 1,311.20	M. W. Alexander Charity Fund (Trustees),	8,540.00
In Custody of Trustees,	8,540.00	Surplus Revenue School Fund (Treasurer),	1,600.00
In Custody of Treasurer,	30,596.75	Belcher Centre School Fund (Treasurer),	2,000.00
		Belcher Library Fund (Treasurer),	14,037.00
		West Northfield Cemetery Fund (Treasurer),	3,210.00
		Belcher Cemetery Fund (Treasurer),	2,000.00
		J. W. Cowles Cemetery Fund (Treasurer),	2,000.00
		Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund (Treasurer),	5,749.75
		Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund (Selectmen),	189.79
	$40,447.95		$40,447.95